

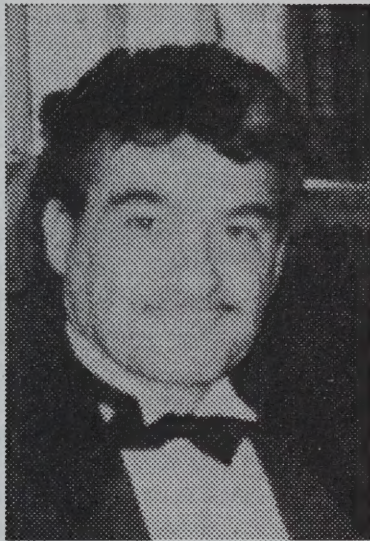
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TOWN OF PLAISTOW



1996 ANNUAL REPORT

ABOUT THE COVER: Pictured on the cover is an afghan designed by the 250th Anniversary Committee to help fund raise for the Town's 250th Anniversary Celebration in 1999. If you would like to purchase one they are available in the Selectmen's Office. The cost is \$45.00. Colors are Blue, Hunter Green or Cranberry.



This edition of the Town Report is dedicated to a man who views no need as too big or too small to assist the residents of Plaistow. Gerry Assad, "*Mister Community*", has for many, many years provided the residents of greater Plaistow with unending hours of service and support. He is a long time resident of Plaistow, founder of the Painters 3 company, dedicated husband to his wife Ellie and loving father to his daughter Gracie and son Gerry Jr.

As a Knight of Columbus, Gerry is

- A 4th Degree Member
- A Council Officer
- A Top Recruiter for many years
- Local Council "Knight of the Year" for 1990
- State Council "Knight of the Year" for 1995-96
- A long time chaperone of the Teen Dances
- The Chairman of the Tootsie Roll fund raiser for the mentally challenged and record holder of largest amount of funds raised in a year.
- Driving force behind the "Murph" Trailer, a major fund raiser for the charitable works of the Council
- Marched in Memorial and Old Home Day parades

As a member of his Church, Gerry

- Serves as the Parish Social Life Chairman
- Organizes the Parish Annual BBQ and Mass
- Produces the Sweeney's Gay 90's event

- Runs many pasta meal events that benefit his parish and religious education program
- Is a well respected Church Usher & Greeter
- Organized the painting of the Oblate Retreat House
- Provided paint and labor for the renovation of the church Convent

As principal founder and organizer of the People Helping People program, Gerry's efforts have brought about many varied acts of service and charity to the residents of Plaistow, in particular the elderly and disadvantaged. Some of these activities include the following:

- House Repair
- House Painting
- Tax assistance for the Elderly
- Moving families
- Yard work
- Window cleaning
- Interior Painting
- Driveways plowed
- Yard and garden work
- Interior Cleaning
- Plumbing emergencies
- Installing storm windows
- Winterizing homes
- Tree pruning
- Parish exterior maintenance
- Painting of convent
- Appliance moving and installation
- Painting of Kimi Nichols Center
- Painting of Parish Kindergarten

As a resident of the Plaistow Community, Gerry

- Organized the Battered Women Clothing Drive
- Lead assistance during Hurricane and Snow emergencies
- Is a member of the Pregnancy Care Center Board of Directors
- Orchestrated the Thanksgiving Day meals for the needy, elderly and shut-ins
- Continues to be an active supporter and worker at Old Home Day events
- Cooked and prepared the Pasta Meal for Fournier family medical assistance
- Provided Food baskets for the needy at Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas
- Provide the meal for the Jerry Barnes Golf Tournament Fund Raiser

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IN MEMORIAM

This page is dedicated to the memory of those Plaistow residents that passed away in 1996 and have served the Town of Plaistow in an elected, appointed or volunteer capacity.

Clifton E. Cook
December 3, 1996
Town Auditor 38 Years
Parade Marshall 225th Anniversary Celebration
Town Moderator 1946-1986

David W. Dana
October 8, 1998
Library Trustee

Robert W. Dolph
January 26, 1996
Principal of Pollard School
Founder of summer Recreation Program

First Lt. Stephen E. Gil
March 3, 1996
Counselor Parks and Recreation Summer Program

Paul H. Hughes
October 1996
Cemetery Fence Restoration Project
N. H. M. A. Municipal Volunteer Award

Edward P. LaFave
February 1, 1996
Conservation Commission
Plaistow Town Militia & Plaistow 225th Anniversary Celebration

Perry A. Xenakis
April 12, 1996
Planning Board

DATES TO REMEMBER

1997		
January	1, 1997	Town Fiscal Year Begins.
February	11	own Budget Committee Public Hearing on 1997 Fiscal Year Budget. Tuesday, 2/11/97 Town Hall starting at 7:00 PM..
March	4	Annual Town Report available on or before.
March	15	First Session of Annual Town Meeting to explain, discuss, and debate each warrant article and to determine final form of questions on ballot, except those warrant articles where wording is prescribed by law. Saturday, 3/15/97 TRHS Gym starting at 10:00 AM.
	24	Board of Selectmen, town governing body, scheduled public hearing on results of first session of Annual Town Meeting. Monday, 3/24/97 Town Hall starting at 7:00 PM.
April	8	Second session of Annual Town Meeting to elect officers, to vote on all questions required by law to be on official ballot, and to vote on all warrant articles from first session of annual town meeting. Tuesday, 4/8/97 Sawyers Banquet Hall, Route 125, 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM.
December	31	Town Fiscal Year ends.

LANDFILL DATES TO REMEMBER

Landfill Site Recycling Area is located on Old County Road .

Open to Residents on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month from 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM. Dates and time are subject to change due to weather and road conditions. For Information cal 382-5200.

BRUSH, LEAVES & CLEAN METAL **ONLY**

1997 Dates Open:

(weather permitting & subject to change)

April	5&19	May	3&17
June	7&21	July	12&19
Aug.	2&16	Sept.	6&20
Oct.	4&18	Nov.	1&15
Dec.	6&20		

RECYCLING WEEKS

Curbside recycling is collected every other week on your regular trash collection day. Whenever a scheduled collection day falls on a holiday, that day's collection and all remaining collections for the week will be delayed one day. Friday's collection will be on Saturday.

White goods are picked up one time per month - call BFI at 1-800-442-9006 to arrange pickup.

1997 Recycling Weeks:

February	3 & 17	March	3,17 & 31	April	14 & 28
May	12 & 26	June	9 & 23	July	7 & 21
August	4 & 18	September	1,15 & 29	October	13 & 27
November	10 & 24	December	8 & 22		

BFI Observes Holidays: Jan - New Year's Day, May - Memorial Day, July - 4th, Sept. - Labor Day, Nov. - Thanksgiving, December - Christmas

**DIRECTORY FOR TOWN OF PLAISTOW, SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICES,
OTHER GOVERNMENT OFFICES, ELECTED OFFICIALS AND APPOINTED
PERSONNEL**

Town Offices

TOWN HALL OFFICES	Tel. #	FITZGERALD SAFETY COMPLEX	Tel. #
Office of the Selectmen Monday-Friday 8:00-4:30	382-5200	EMERGENCY (POLICE & FIRE)	911
Town Hall/General Information	382-8469	POLICE DEPARTMENT	
Town Managers Office	382-7106	Emergency	382-1200
Town Clerk (M-F 8:30-4:30 Mon. Eve. 6:30-9:00)	382-8129	Business	382-6816 382-6207
Tax Collector (Mon/Tues/Wed 8:30-4:30)	382-8611	Crime Line	382-3784
Assessor	382-5200	FIRE DEPARTMENT	
Inspection/ Code Enforcement Monday-Friday 8:00-4:30	382-1191	Emergency	382-8512
Planning Office (M-F 8:00-4:30)	382-7371	Business	382-5012
Health Department	382-1191	For Fire Permits	
Parks and Recreation	382-5200	Gregg Bolduc	382-8441
Welfare Office (T-Th 9:00-2:00)	382-8469	Irvin Senter	382-8025
Family Mediation Program	362-9957	David Sargent	382-6831
District Court	382-4651	Richard Colcord	382-8485
OTHER TOWN OFFICES		Robert Chooljian	382-8193
Animal Control (Harriman Rd.)	382-8144	Don Hutchinson	382-5496
Tree Warden (Harriman Rd.)	382-7686	John McArdle	382-9917
PUBLIC LIBRARY (Elm St.) (M-Th 9:00-8:30)(F 9:00-5:00) (Sat. 9:00-2:00)	382-6011	John Judson III	382-3732
Summer Hours July-Labor Day M-Th 9:00-8:00 F 9:00-5:00		For Wood Stove/ Chimney/ Oil Burner Inspections	382-5012
Saturday 9:00-Noon		Emergency Management/Civil Defense	382-5847

Timberlane School District Offices

Pollard Elementary Joean Griffin, Principal	382-7146	Timberlane High William Mealey, Principal	382-6541
Timberlane Middle Lou Reste, Principal	382-7131	Superintendent Dr. Douglas MacDonald	382-6119

Government Officials and Local Representatives

Honorable Judd Gregg Suit 513 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-2902 (202) 224-3324 Fax# 202-224-4952 (202)-228-3793 (SC,SH)	Office of Senator Judd Gregg 125 North Main St. Concord, N.H. 03301-4921 (603) 225-7115 Fax# 224-0198
Honorable Robert Smith 323 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510 (202) 224-2814 Fax#224-1353	Office of Senator Robert Smith 46 South Main St. Concord, NH 03301 (603) 228-0453 Fax# 228-3165
Honorable John E. Sununu 1229 Longworth H.O.B. Washington, DC 20515 (202) 225-5456 Fax# 225-4370	Office of Rep. John E. Sununu 1750 Elm Street Manchester, NH 03101 (603) 647-6600 Fax# 647-6596
Sen Richard L. Russman 18 Bartlett Beach Drive Kingston, NH 03848 Home (603) 642-5904	Sen Richard L. Russman 14 Center street Exeter, NH 03800 Office (603) 772-3433

Representatives to General Court: Leroy S. Dube (382-8562)
Norman Major (382-5429)
Mark A. Cegelis
Kevin L. Camm

Elected Town Officials

Board of Selectmen

Lawrence W. Gil, Chairman	1998
Charles L. Blinn, Jr.	1998
Mary M. Collins	1997
George E. Melvin	1997
Merilyn P. Senter	1999

Moderator

Barry A. Sargent	1998
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Treasurer

Bernadine A. Fitzgerald	1998
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Town Clerk

Barbara E. Tavitian	1998
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Tax Collector

Rosemarie L. Bayek	1998
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Trustee of the Trust Funds

Helen A. Hart	1998
Kenneth Thurston	1999
Sheila Dorman	1997

Board of Fire Engineers

David Sargent 1 st Eng	1997
John W. Judson III, 2 nd Eng.	1997
John H. McArdle, 3 rd Eng.	1997
Robert A. Chooljian 4 th Eng.	1997

Planning Board

Timothy Moore, Chair	1999
Robert Gray	1998
Ronald Charrette	1998
James Silva	1998
Thomas Underwood	1997
John Lamb	1997
Hal Lewis (Alternate)	
Lawrence Gil (Selectmen Rep.)	

Trustees of Public Library

Catherine Emmons, Chair	1998
Scott Lane, Assistant Chair	1999
William Ruger, Secretary	1998 (resigned)
Catherine Willis, Treasurer	1997
Jill Senter	1997

Municipal Budget Committee

Michael Emmons, Chairman	1998
Henry Szmyt	1997
Darrell Britton (resigned)	1997
Leroy S. Dube	1998
Brenda Major	1998
John Sherman	1999
Thomas Vinci	1997
Bernadine Fitzgerald	1999
Helen Hart	1997
Ronald Yeager	1997
George Peabody	1999
Jill Senter	1998
Delorse G. Ackerman-Keiser	1999
Charles L. Blinn, Jr. Sel. Rep.	1997

Supervisors of the Check List

Nancy Jackman	2000
Katherine Fitzpatrick	2002
Eleanor Peabody	2001

Auditors

Leroy S. Dube	1997
Thomas J. Vinci	1997

Appointed Town Personnel

Administration

Robert M. Belmore, Town Manager
Ruth E. Jenne, Executive Secretary
Julie Mason, Bookkeeper

Inspection/Enforcement

P. Michael Dorman, Bldg. Insp.
John Scione, Jr., Elect. Insp.
Jeff Paradis, Plumbing Insp
Kate Reusch, Secretary
Katherine Fitzpatrick (Retired)

Highway Safety Committee

Stephen Savage, Pol. Chief, Chair
Merilyn Senter, Vice Chair
Kenneth Crowell, High, Supervisor
Donald Petzold, Fire Chief
Leigh Komornick (R. P. C.)
Kathy Giragosian (Citizen Rep.)
Ronald Charette, Planning Brd.
Jill Senter, Conserv. Comm.
Mary Collins, Select. Rep.

Zoning Board of Appeals

Lawrence Ordway, Chairman	1997
Barbara, Burri, Vice Chair	1997
Emile Langlois	1996
Donald Wood	1996
Joyce Wright, Clerk	1997
Darrell W. Britton, Jr., Alt.	1996
Norman L. Major, Alt.	1997
Ruth E. Palmer, Admin. Assist.	

Conservation Commision

Timothy Moore, Chairman	1996
David Averill	1997
Jill Senter	1997
Peter Conrad (resigned)	1997
Lawrence Gill, Select. Rep.	1998
John Lamb (resigned)	1996
Edward Killam	1998

Office of Town Clerk

Maryellen Pelletier, Deputy

Cemetery Sexton

Herbert Reed

Office of Tax Collector

Donna Kimball, Deputy

Health & Human Services

Carrie Chooljian, Welfare Dir.
Mary Ellen Tufts, Health Officer

Tree Warden

James Collins

Assessing Clerk

Cathy Orff

Highway Department

Kenneth Crowell, Supervisor
Daniel Garlington, Foreman
Mario Mejia
Glen Peabody

Animal Control

Donald Sargent, Officer
Judith Sargent, Assistant

Cable TV Advisory Committee

Henry Szmyt, Chairman	1997
Sandra Britton	
Robert Brunelle	1996
Roland Dubois	1996
Gail Shinberg (resigned)	1996
Donald Winterhalter	1997

Building Maintenance

David R. Bowles 11/95

Public Library

Laurie Houlihan, Director

Parks and Recreation

Dianne Nye, Director (resigned)

Recreation Commission

Susan Sherman, Chair	1997
Cindy Hendy	1997
Jim Hellesen	1996
Carlene Sarty	1996
Susan Connolly	1997
Dennise Heffernan	1998
Brian Cobb	1997

Emergency Management

William Scully, Director

Water Department

Donald Petzold, (resigned)
Donald Sargent
Superintendent & Maintenance

Police Department Support Staff

Eileen Shields
Nancy Hetherington

Crossing Guards

Ruth Jillson

Victim Witness Advocate Volunteer

Vanessa Underwood

Planning Board***Administrative Assistant***

Ann Sharpe

Budget Committee Clerk

Danielle Plante-Healey

Assistant Moderator

Norman Major

Police Department

Stephen Savage, Chief
Thomas Bourque, Lieutenant
James DeOrio, Sergeant
Kathleen Jones, Detective Sergeant
Charles Myers, Sergeant
Scott Anderson, Officer
Patrick Caggiano, Officer
Thomas Hawthorne, Officer
Glenn Miller, Detective
Alec Porter, Officer
Steven Ranlett, Officer
John Lavoie, Officer
Michael Beauchesne, Officer

Special Officers

David Cianfrini
Robert Elwell
George Lorden
Joan Marsilia
William Miller (resigned)
John Tetreault
Christopher Vynorius (resigned)
John Spero (resigned)
Walter Pare
Scott McCabe

Communications

Lucia Cusimano, Full Time
Communications Supervisor
Cherie Chevalier, Full Time
Mark Flyzik, Full Time
Robert Hawes, Full Time
Jason Rodriguez, Part Time
Sharon Pagaro, Part Time
Brenda Lee Boisvert, Part Time
David Florin, Part Time
Valquerio Eiro, Part Time

Matrons

Margo Collins
Patricia Parker

Fire Department

Donald Petzold, Chief
Bryan Bielecki
Greg Bolduc
Michael Borges
Ian Brown (resigned 9/12/96)
Robert Chooljian
Richard Colcord
Tim Delaney (Leave of Absence 6/1/96)
David Florin
Tim German (Leave of Absence 12/1/96)
Jason Gionet
Linda Guide
Bruce Gusler
Richard Hawkins (Leave of Absence 4/13/96)
Russell Hawkins (Leave of Absence 4/13/96)
Barry Holmes (Leave of Absence 1/20/96)
Don Hutchinson
Richard Johnston
John Judson, III
Michael Kennedy
Robert Lang, Jr.
T. Richard Latham (Retired 12/1/96)
John McArdle
Paul McKendry
Robert Newhouse
Gardner Owen
George (Butch) Peabody
Daniel Poliquin
David Sargent
Russel Sargent
William Scully
Warren Seckendorf
Irvin (Skip) Senter

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS & STATISTICS

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATION 1996

ACCOUNT	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	AMOUNT
GENERAL GOVERNMENT		
4130	Executive	159857
4140	Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	65021
4150	Financial Administration	113879
4153	Legal Expenses	43000
4155	Personnel Administration	224800
4191	Planning & Zoning	37304
4194	General Government Buildings	108025
4195	Cemetery	7202
4196	Insurance	77000
	TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	836088
PUBLIC SAFETY		
4210	Police	779853
4215	Ambulance	28000
4220	Fire	168795
4240	Building Inspection	59241
4290	Emergency Management	3435
	TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	1039434
HIGHWAYS & STREETS		
4311	Highways & Streets Administration	182039
4312	Highways & Streets	205250
	TOTAL HIGHWAYS & STREETS	387289
STREET LIGHTS		
4316	Street Lights	52000
	TOTAL STREET LIGHTS	52000
SANITATION		
4323	Solid Waste Disposal	320000
4200	Landfill Maintenance	4200
	TOTAL SANITATION	324200
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT		
4332	Water Distribution & Treatment	29164
	TOTAL DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT	29164
HEALTH		
4411	Health Department Administration	17047
4414	Animal Control	9550
	TOTAL HEALTH	26597
HUMAN SERVICES		
4419	Human Services	54727
	TOTAL HUMAN SERVICES	54727

WELFARE

4441	Welfare-Administrative	9215
4442	Welfare-Direct Assistance	41300
	TOTAL WELFARE	50515

CULTURE & RECREATION

4520	Parks & Recreation	59309
4550	Library	146443
4583	Patriotic Purposes (Memorial Day)	600
4589	Other Culture & Recreation (Tree Care)	3594
	TOTAL CULTURE & RECREATION	209946

CONSERVATION

4611	Conservation Commission	6010
	TOTAL CONSERVATION	6010

DEBT SERVICE

4711	Principle Due	150000
4721	Interest/Long Term Notes	45718
4723	Interest/T. A. N.	65000
	TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	260718

TOTAL TOWN APPROPRIATION**3276688****WARRANT ARTICLES**

6196	Warrant Articles (11)	448733
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TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS**3725421****DETAILED DISBURSEMENTS 1996****EXECUTIVE**

1996	APPROPRIATION	159857
4130-10-110	Merit/Step Raise	4181.00
4130-10-130	Town Officer Salary (Selectmen)	5000.00
4130-10-140	T. O. E. Overtime	2811.71
4130-10-190	Unused Sick Leave	4223.70
4130-10-250	Unemployment Fund	0.00
4130-10-310	Contracted Consulting Services	4317.55
4130-10-341	Telephone	5468.16
4130-10-392	Labor Relations Consultant	8668.11
4130-10-500	Training/Conference	350.00
4130-10-550	Town Report Expense	4632.39
4130-10-560	Dues	8846.37
4130-10-570	Advertising	1113.39
4130-10-620	Office Supplies	2620.38
4130-10-625	Postage	1622.36
4130-10-630	Office Equipment/Maintenance	19462.02
4130-10-670	R. S. A. Supplies	639.34
4130-10-690	Miscellaneous	571.25
4130-10-801	Mileage Increase	557.14
4130-10-870	Record Deeds	1143.74
4130-10-880	Cable Committee Expense	3008.22

4130-20-110	Salary Town Manager	48057.81
4130-20-680	Town Managers Expense	3978.88
4130-20-830	Employment Expenses	581.87
4130-21-110	B. O. S./T. M. Secretary	19769.56
4130-30-150	Highway Safety Expense	312.38
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	150992.21

ELECTIONS, REGISTRATION & VITAL STATISTICS

1996	APPROPRIATION	65021
4140-10-110	Salary Deputy & Assistant	17836.76
4140-10-130	Town Clerk Salary	27300.00
4140-10-341	Telephone	1005.65
4140-10-342	Computer Hardware/Software Expense	1490.00
4140-10-500	Convention & Mileage	984.00
4140-10-520	Bond	590.00
4140-10-610	Dog Tags & Forms	151.40
4140-10-620	Office Supplies	2837.50
4140-10-625	Postage	1275.05
4140-10-630	Office Equipment & Maintenance	730.00
4140-20-110	Supervisor Checklist Salary	1797.00
4140-30-110	Salary/Administration	1465.00
4140-30-130	Election Salary/Moderator	400.00
4140-30-342	Software Support	2016.30
4140-30-360	Janitorial Services	330.00
4140-30-440	Voting Facility Rental	863.27
4140-30-550	Ballot Printing & Checklist	465.00
4140-30-610	Repairs & Supplies	499.76
4140-30-625	Postage	11.94
4140-30-630	Polling Booths	225.00
4140-30-680	Meals	484.73
4140-40-500	Training Moderator Workshop	10.00
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	62768.35

FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

1996	APPROPRIATION	113879
4150-10-110	Salary Accounting	17647.90
4150-10-680	Computer Expenses	3506.51
4150-10-801	Mileage/Travel	0.00
4150-20-301	Professional Audit	4459.00
4150-30-110	Assessor's Salary Contract	48408.19
4150-30-355	Photos	0.00
4150-30-500	Education/Conference	0.00
4150-30-550	Tax Maps & Mapping Services	51.00
4150-30-560	Dues	20.00
4150-30-620	Supplies	556.98
4150-30-665	Mileage	30.00
4150-40-130	Tax Collector Salary	17999.80
4150-40-150	Deputy Tax Collector Salary	2518.84
4150-40-320	Mortgage Research	3825.00
4150-40-341	Telephone	615.55
4150-40-500	Dues, Convention & Mileage	250.20

4150-40-550	Computer Supplies	208.16
4150-40-620	Office Supplies	357.01
4150-40-625	Postage	2661.09
4150-40-630	Equipment & Maintenance	362.00
4150-40-870	Record Registry of Deeds	606.00
4150-50-110	Treasurer's Salary	4000.00
4150-90-150	Budget Committee Secretary	1380.92
4150-90-880	Budget Committee Expenses	241.06
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	109705.21

LEGAL EXPENSES

1996	APPROPRIATION	43000	
4153-00-320	Legal Expenses		43443.33
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	43443.33	

PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION

1996	APPROPRIATION	224800	
4155-20-210	Work/Health Insurance		118039.44
4155-30-220	FICA		44910.95
4155-30-225	Medicare		15096.55
4155-40-230	New Hampshire Retirement		28222.02
4155-40-260	N. H. Municipal Workers Compensation		3863.38
4155-40-290	12.5 Caf. Plan Pre-Tax		4303.00
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE		500.00
		214935.34	

PLANNING & ZONING

1996	APPROPRIATION	37304	
4191-10-110	Planning Salaries		20951.28
4191-10-140	Overtime		2266.99
4191-10-310	Engineering		0.00
4191-10-320	Attorney Fees		5465.00
4191-10-341	Telephone		838.81
4191-10-500	Education & Training		205.00
4191-10-550	Printing Zoning Maps		133.00
4191-10-570	Legal Notices		1061.12
4191-10-620	Supplies		182.46
4191-10-625	Postage		1144.96
4191-10-630	Equipment Repairs		174.94
4191-10-680	Computer Supplies		32.95
4191-10-801	Mileage		73.20
4191-10-870	Recording Fees		348.00
4191-20-110	Recording Secretary		2508.00
4191-20-500	Education		0.00
4191-20-570	Advertising		695.92
4191-20-620	Supplies		0.00
4191-20-625	Postage		818.12
4191-20-630	Equipment/Reimbursement		75.00
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	36974.64	

GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS

1996	APPROPRIATION	108025	
4191-00-110	Custodian Salary		15212.25
4194-00-140	Custodian O. T./Part Time		10463.00
4190-00-630	Maintenance Supplies/Equipment		1454.62
4190-00-650	Grounds Maintenance		12115.90
4190-00-740	Maintenance Equipment Purchase		741.57
4190-00-801	Mileage		0.00
4190-10-341	Town Hall Public Telephone		620.04
4190-10-410	Town Hall Electric		8151.41
4190-10-411	Town Hall Heat		2986.80
4190-10-430	Town Hall Repairs & Renovation		3407.60
4190-10-510	Town Hall Alarm		586.50
4190-20-341	Safety Complex Public Telephone		602.28
4190-20-410	Safety Complex Electric		16191.26
4190-20-411	Safety Complex Heat		8733.26
4190-20-430	Safety Complex Repairs		18417.37
4190-30-431	Museum Telephone		394.01
4190-30-410	Museum Electric		310.00
4190-30-411	Museum Heat		1229.81
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	101617.68	

CEMETERY

1996	APPROPRIATION	7202	
4195-00-740	Equipment Purchase		0.00
4195-10-610-	Cemetery Labor		1248.00
4195-10-610	Supplies		350.04
4195-10-630	Repairs		107.50
4195-10-635	Gas & Oil		0.00
4195-10-650	Contracted Services		3000.00
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	4705.54	

INSURANCE

1996	APPROPRIATION	77000	
4196-00-480	Town Insurance/NHMA PLIT		78385.00
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1997	78385.00	

POLICE

1996	APPROPRIATION	779853	
4210-10-110	Administrative Salaries		114914.32
4210-10-430	Communication Equipment/Repairs		16928.01
4210-10-500	Professional Development		1276.00
4210-10-560	Dues & Subscriptions		829.03
4210-10-610	Operational Supplies		5722.34
4210-10-620	Office Supplies		2064.08
4210-10-625	Postage		1546.94
4210-10-630	Office Equipment & Repairs		1562.84
4120-10-680	Chief's Expenses		1236.28
4210-10-690	Miscellaneous		1387.79
4210-10-831	Recruiting/Medical		2000.53

4210-20-110	Officer Salaries	299506.88
4210-20-140	Officer Overtime	19330.32
4210-10-150	Officer Part Time	44545.88
4210-20-291	Officer Uniforms	12049.47
4210-20-341	Telephone	10876.13
4210-20-439	Vehicle Maintenance	14266.55
4210-20-440	Motorcycle Lease	2800.00
4210-20-635	Fuels	14363.85
4210-20-760	Vehicle Purchase	42879.98
4210-30-150	Crossing Guard	3262.74
4210-50-110	Dispatch Salaries	91721.95
4210-50-140	Dispatch Overtime	8847.80
4210-50-150	Dispatch Part Time Salaries	17244.86
4210-50-291	Dispatch Uniforms	1152.98
4210-60-190	Contracted Police	44978.64
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	777296.39

AMBULANCE

1996	APPROPRIATION	28000	
4215-10-350	Ambulance		30333.29
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	30333.29	

FIRE DEPARTMENT

1996	APPROPRIATION	168795	
4220-10-110	Chief's Salary		40644.28
4220-10-291	Personal Equipment		522.18
4220-10-341	Telephones		1719.79
4220-10-560	Annual Dues		907.00
4220-10-620	Supplies		366.05
4220-10-680	Chief's Expenses		1914.24
4220-10-690	Miscellaneous		1004.48
4220-20-150	Payroll		75543.40
4220-20-500	Training		3521.96
4220-20-560	HAZMAT District		3500.00
4220-20-660	Vehicle Maintenance/Supplies		18034.13
4220-20-740	Fire Fighting Equipment		4147.63
4220-20-741	Hose		1724.00
4220-20-742	New Equipment		2000.00
4220-30-670	Fire Prevention Inspections		824.02
4220-50-430	Radios		5414.35
4220-50-431	Pager System		993.82
4220-70-610	Medical Supplies		1946.79
4220-80-630	Building Improvements		587.58
4220-90-150	Forest Fire Payroll		429.16
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	164844.86	

BUILDING INSPECTION

1996	APPROPRIATION	59241	
4240-10-110	Inspection Salaries		51803.67
4240-10-341	Telephone		1213.67
4240-10-440	Pager		87.52

4240-10-500	Training & Conference	623.83
4240-10-560	Dues & Subscriptions	274.00
4240-10-620	Supplies	576.85
4240-10-625	Postage	15.83
4240-10-660	Vehicle Maintenance Supplies	1192.67
4240-40-500	Plumbing Consultants	1455.00
4240-50-500	Electric Consultants	3855.00
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	61098.041

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

1996	APPROPRIATION	3545
4290-10-341	Telephone	1109.78
4290-10-430	Emergency Generator	1960.80
4290-10-560	Dues	0.00
4290-10-620	Office Supplies	34.25
4290-10-625	Postage	0.00
4290-10-630	Radio Maintenance	159.76
4290-10-670	Subscriptions	0.00
4290-10-750	Equipment	625.00
4290-10-801	Mileage/Travel	0.00
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	3889.59

HIGHWAYS & STREETS ADMINISTRATION

1996	APPROPRIATION	182039
4311-00-110	Highway Salaries	102600.00
4311-00-120	Highway Temporary Labor	1300.00
4311-00-140	Highway Overtime	18278.44
4311-00-291	Clothing Allowance	736.90
4311-00-341	Telephone	2082.13
4311-00-410	Electric	1330.71
4311-00-430	Radios	1506.80
4311-00-430	Pager	359.97
4311-00-610	Building Supplies	1836.25
4311-00-620	Office Supplies	23.76
4311-00-635	Gas & Oil	3630.62
4311-00-636	Diesel Fuel	3522.99
4311-00-760	Vehicle Purchase with Sander	44389.00
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	181597.57

HIGHWAYS & STREETS

1996	APPROPRIATION	205250
4312-00-390	Welding	312.75
4312-00-439	Vehicle Repairs/Maintenance	10671.86
4312-00-583	Hot Top Expense, Adv., Etc.	0.00
4312-00-610	Signs	2871.42
4312-00-660	Vehicle Maintenance	4395.66
4312-00-74	Hand Tools	207.61
4312-10-580	Safety Lines	9304.24
4312-10-582	Guard Rail	0.00
4312-10-612	Crushed Stone	898.22
4312-10-630	Road Repairs & Maintenance	45761.04

4312-20-440	Equipment Rental	1350.00
4312-20-581	Street Sweeping	4984.00
4312-30-730	Culverts & Catch Basins	5717.58
4312-51-390	Snow Plowing	119500.25
4312-52-611	Road Salt	47672.13
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	253646.76

STREET LIGHTS

1996	APPROPRIATION	52000
4316-30-410	Street Lights	51844.96
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	51844.96

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL

1996	APPROPRIATION	320000
4323-10-570	Sanitation/Waste Disposal	323397.42
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	323397.42

LANDFILL MAINTENANCE

1996	APPROPRIATION	4200
4324-40-150	Landfill Attendants	1014.29
4324-10-391	Monitoring Well Testing	2700.00
4324-10-650	CAP Maintenance	500.00
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	4214.29

WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT

1996	APPROPRIATION	29164
4331-10-341	Telephone	776.86
4331-10-410	Electric	3183.64
4331-10-411	Northern Utilities	3235.76
4332-10-432	Pump House Maintenance	5454.54
4332-10-434	Process Pump Maintenance	10276.28
4332-10-630	Process Engineering Water Tower Maintenance	510.00
4332-30-630	Water Line Maintenance	2522.77
4339-10-630	Water Holes	0.00
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	25959.85

HEALTH DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATION

1996	APPROPRIATION	17047
4411-00-150	Health Department Salaries	13001.55
4411-00-341	Telephone	275.00
4411-00-500	Training	326.85
4411-00-560	Dues	10.00
4411-00-620	Office Supplies	273.53
4411-00-625	Postage	103.64
4411-00-801	Mileage	531.36
4411-20-350	Vaccinations	921.16
4411-20-391	Water Testing	224.00
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	

ANIMAL CONTROL**1996****APPROPRIATION****9550**

4414-00-150	Animal Control Salaries	5832.36
4414-00-440	Kennel Lease	700.00
4414-00-610	Supplies	739.86
4414-00-801	Mileage	725.34
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	7997.56

HUMAN SERVICES**1996****APPROPRIATION****54727**

4419-10-390	Mediation	10333.00
4419-20-390	Rockingham V. N. A.	18956.00
4419-21-390	Community Action Program	5122.00
4419-22-390	Sexual Assault Support	566.00
4419-23-390	Crisis Pregnancy Center	2000.00
4419-24-390	A Safe Place	300.00
4419-40-390	Brickett Mill	6000.00
4419-91-390	Retired Senior Volunteer Program	800.00
4419-92-390	Greater Salem Caregivers	3500.00
4419-93-390	Vic Geary Center	5500.00
4419-94-390	Lamprey Health	1650.00
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	54727.00

WELFARE ADMINISTRATION**1996****APPROPRIATION****9215**

4441-10-110	Welfare Director's Salary	7706.40
4441-10-619	Supplies	174.19
4441-10-801	Mileage/Travel	229.68
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	8110.27

WELFARE DIRECT ASSISTANCE**1996****APPROPRIATION****41300**

4442-10-840	Shelter/Rent	10219.00
4442-10-843	Food/Markets	193.46
4442-10-845	New England Telephone	0.00
4442-10-846	Exeter & Hampton Electric	997.97
4442-10-847	Heat	484.36
4442-10-848	Medical	915.07
4442-10-849	Other Expense (water, gas)	49.82
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	12839.68

RECREATION**1996****APPROPRIATION****59309**

4520-20-110	Recreation Director Salary	7150.65
4520-20-120	Summer Recreation Salaries	19157.01
4520-10-291	Staff Clothing	1628.71
4520-10-341	Telephone	315.38
4520-10-610	Supplies	212.81
4520-20-640	Field Maintenance	3314.60
4520-20-740	Equipment	547.71
4520-20-801	Transportation	3160.00

4520-20-855	Old Home Day	4065.48
4520-20-856	Concerts	1000.00
4520-20-857	Community Trips	2044.00
4520-20-858	Senior Citizens Account	350.00
4520-20-859	Arts & Crafts	228.60
4520-20-860	Special Events	520.00
4520-20-861	Baseball Leagues	2484.23
4520-20-862	Cheerleading Program	200.00
4520-20-863	Little League Baseball	2604.93
4520-20-864	Youth Basketball	0.00
4520-20-865	Softball	1756.71
4520-20-866	Youth Football	500.00
4520-20-868	Timberlane Youth Soccer	0.00
4520-20-869	Babe Ruth Baseball	500.00
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	51740.82

LIBRARY

1996	APPROPRIATION	146443	
4550-10-920	Library		146146.37
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	146146.37	

MEMORIAL DAY

1996	APPROPRIATION	600	
4583-10-854	Memorial Day		600.00
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	600.00	

TREE CARE

1996	APPROPRIATION	3594	
4589-00-150	Salaries		299.00
4589-00151	Emergency Tree Care		254.79
4589-00152	Outside Tree Care		0.00
4589-00-341	Telephone/Mileage		148.50
4589-00-390	Tree Maintenance		4236.00
4589-00-610	Purchase Planting		0.00
4589-00-630	Equipment Maintenance		8.00
4589-00-740	New Equipment		65.67
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	5012.66	

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

1996	APPROPRIATION	6010	
4611-10-120	Secretary Salary		150.00
4611-10-390	Forest Management		2500.00
4611-20-240	Training Conference		0.00
4611-20-391	Water Samples		3125.00
4611-20-560	Dues		253.00
4611-20-610	Supplies		0.00
4611-20-801	Mileage/Travel		36.00
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996	6064.00	

DEBT SERVICE

1996	APPROPRIATION	260718.00
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4711-00-980	Principal Due	150000.00
4721-00-981	Interest/Long Term Notes	45717.38
4723-00-981	Interest/T. A. N.	36068.75
TOTAL EXPENDITURE 1996		231786.13

REPORT OF TOWN AUDITOR

I have examine the various payment and receipt records in the Town of Plaistow for the year ended December 31, 1996. In my opinion, while the examination is not complete, the accounts are kept in accordance with accepted accounting procedure.

Respectfully Submitted,
Leroy Dube
Thomas Vinci

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1996

APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT	APPROPRIATION	EXPENSES	BALANCE	OVERDRAFT
Executive	159857.00	150992.21	8864.79	0.00
Election, Registration & Vital Statistic	65021.00	62768.35	2252.65	0.00
Financial & Administration	113879.00	109705.21	4173.79	0.00
Legal Expenses	43000.00	43443.33	0.00	443.33
Personnel Administration	224800.00	214935.34	9864.66	0.00
Planning & Zoning	37304.00	36974.64	329.36	0.00
General Government Build.	108025.00	101617.68	6407.32	0.00
Cemetery	7202.00	4705.54	2496.46	0.00
Insurance	77000.00	78385.00	0.00	1385.00
Police	779853.00	77296.39	2556.61	0.00
Ambulance	28000.00	30333.29	0.00	2333.29
Fire Department	168795.00	164844.86	3950.14	0.00
Building Inspection	59241.00	61098.04	0.00	1857.04
Emergency Management	3545.00	3889.59	0.00	344.59
Highways & Streets Administration	182039.00	181597.57	441.43	0.00
Highways & Streets	205250.00	253646.76	0.00	48396.76

Street Lights	52000.00	51844.96	155.04	0.00
Solid Waste Disposal	320000.00	323397.42	0.00	3397.42
Landfill Maintenance	4200.00	327611.71	0.00	3411.71
Water Distribution & Treat.	29164.00	25959.85	3204.15	0.00
Health Department Admin.	17047.00	15667.09	1379.91	0.00
Animal Control	9550.00	23641.70	2955.30	0.00
Human Services	54727.00	54727.00	0.00	0.00
Welfare Administrative	9215.00	8110.27	1104.73	0.00
Welfare-Direct Assistance	41300.00	12839.68	28460.32	0.00
Recreation	59309.00	51740.82	7568.18	0.00
Library	146443.00	146146.37	296.63	0.00
Memorial Day	600.00	600.00	0.00	0.00
Tree Care	3594.00	5012.66	0.00	1418.66
Conservation Commission	6010.00	6064.00	0.00	54.00
Debt Service	260718.00	231786.13	28931.87	0.00
Account Totals	3276688.00	3227497.07	49190.93	0.00

PRIOR ENCUMBERED FUNDS

F/T Police Officer 95 #24	832.39	Cr. (251.20)	1083.59	0.00
Rt. 125 Comprehensive Study #13	919.41	419.41	500.00	0.00
Phase II Town Hall Repairs #23	3606.70	2349.00	1257.70	0.00
A. F. S. C. M. E. 1995 #32	903.02	19.20	883.82	0.00
Total Encumbered 1996	6261.52	2536.41	3725.11	0.00

WARRANT ARTICLES

F/T Officer 2 nd Yr. #21	31752.00	26820.91	9431.09	0.00
Tax Maps of Town #17	75000.00	10118.37	64881.63	0.00

Technical review Comm. #19	4500.00	3000.00	1500.00	0.00
Highway Block Grant #14	92806.00	92806.00	0.00	0.00
Sidewalk Repair Park Ave. #22	6000.00	6000.00	0.00	0.00
Town Hall Elevator CDGB #16	140000.00	0.00	140000.00	0.00
Local Area Network #23	20000.00	2000.00	0.00	0.00
A. F. S. C. M. E. 1996 #25	8825.00	7609.10	1215.90	0.00
Improvement to Town Build. #15	35350.00	1500.00	33850.00	0.00
Phase II Police Computers #20	24500.00	17934.14	6565.86	0.00
Assessing Office Clerk #18	10000.00	6953.08	3046.92	0.00
Total Warrant Articles 1996	448733.00	218696.60	236297.92	0.00

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF PLAISTOW YEAR ENDING 1996 MS-61

DR.	Levy for Year of this Report 1996	PRIOR LEVIES 1995	(Please specify years)
UNCOLLECTED TAXES- BEG. OF YEAR*:			
Property Taxes		914,931	
Resident Taxes			
Land Use Change			
Yield Taxes			
Utilities			
TAXES COMMITTED-THIS YEAR			
Property Taxes	10,193,163		
Resident Taxes			
Land Use Change	400		
Yield Taxes			
Utilities			
OVERPAYMENT			
Property Taxes	13,849	3,327	
Resident Taxes			
Land Use Change			
Yield Taxes			
Interest Collected on Delinquent Tax	12,708	45,819	
Collected Resident Tax Penalties			
TOTAL DEBITS	\$10,220,120	\$964,066	\$

CR.	Levy for Year of this Report	Prior Levies	(Please specify years)	
Remitted to Treas. During FY	1996	1995		
Property Taxes	9,486,442	873,029		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change	400			
Yield Taxes				
Utilities				
Interest	12,708	45,819		
Penalties				
Discounts Allowed:				
Abatements Made:	7,259	45,217		
Property Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes				
Utilities				
Curr. Levy Deeded	643			
UNCOLLECTED TAXES-END OF YR.				
Property Taxes	712,967	-0-		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes				
Utilities				
Total Credits	\$10,220,120	\$964,0666	\$	\$

FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF PLAISTOW YEAR ENDING 1996

MS-61

Dr.	Last Years Levy	Prior Please specify Levies years				
Unredeemed Liens Balance at Beg. of Fiscal Yr.	1995	1994 253,279	1993 156,394	1992 28,919	1991 27,781	1990 27,103
Line Executed During Fiscal Yr.	508,931					
Interest & Costs Coll. After Lien Execution	13,499	35,561	40,181			
TOTAL DEBITS	522,430	288,840	196,575	28,919	27,781	27,103

CR. REMITTANCE TO TREASURER:						
Redemptions	170,015	152,194	124,767			
Int./Costs (after Lien execution)	13,499	35,561	40,181			
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes	68,830	672	548			
Liens DEEDED to Municipalities	78,800	660	664			
Unredeemed Liens Bal. End of Year	269,298	99,753	30,415	28,919	27,181	27,103
TOTAL CREDITS	\$522,430	\$288,840	\$196,575	\$28,919	\$27,781	\$27,103

Respectfully submitted,
Rosemarie L. Bayek, Tax Collector

TAX RATE COMPUTATION & TAXES ASSESSED

APPROPRIATIONS	3,585,421			
Less: Revenues	1,658,585			
Less: Shared Revenues	9,086			
Add: Overlay War Service Credits	448,787 46,800			
Net Town Appropriation		2,413,337		
Special Adjustment		0		
Approved Town/City Tax Effort			2,413,337	
Municipal Tax Rate				5.75
SCHOOL PORTION				
Due to Local School	0			
Due to Regional School	7,373,546			
Less: Shared Revenues	156,553			
Net School Appropriation		7,216,993		
Special Adjustment		0		
Approved School(s) Tax Effort			7,216,993	
School(s) Tax Rate				17.18
COUNTY PORTION				
Due to County	589,509			
Less: Shared Revenues	9,086			
Net County Appropriation		580,423		
Special Adjustment		0		
Approved County Tax Effort			580,423	
County Tax Rate				1.38
COMBINED TAX RATE				24.31
Total Property Taxes Assessed			10,210,753	
Less: War Service Credits			(46,800)	
Add: Village District Commit(s)			0	
Total Property Tax Commitment			10,163,953	

420,022,744
Net Assessed Valuation

PROOF OF RATE
24.31
Tax Rate

10,210,753
Assessment

STATEMENT OF BOND DEBT

Fitzgerald Public Safety Complex
Original Amount: \$1,150,000.00
Year/Term: 1985/15 Yrs. @ 8.0%

Landfill Closure Construction
Original Amount: \$750,000.00
Year/Term: 1988/10 Yrs @ 7.029%

Year	Principal	Interest	Yearly Totals
1997	150,000.00	34,005	184,005
1998	150,000.00	22,175	172,175
1999	75,000.00	12,944	87,944
2000	75,000.00	6,341	81,341
Total	600,000.00	121,182	721,182

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

LAND	145,626,894
BUILDINGS	273,951,300
UTILITIES	5,065,100
Total Valuation Before Exemption	424,643,294
LESS: Blind Exemptions	(90,000)
Elderly Exemptions	(5,669,300)
Wood Heating Exemption	0
Total Amount of Exemption	(5,759,300)
Net Value on Which Tax Rate is Computed	418,881,994

Certified By:
Lawrence W. Gil, Chairman
Charles L. Blinn, Jr.
Mary M. Collins
George E. Melvin
Merilyn P. Senter

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

As of December 31, 1995

ASSETS	AMOUNT	LIABILITIES &		FUND EQUITY	
		LIABILITIES	AMOUNT	FUND EQUITY	AMOUNT
Cash	2,657,416				
Taxes Receivable	806,733	Accounts Payable & Warrants	167,686	Reserved for Special Purposes	337,824
Accounts Receivable	70,707	Contracts payable	4,807	Unreserved Fund Balance	415,837
Due From Other Governments	6,502	Due to School Districts	3,360,517		
Due From other Funds	3,446	Deferred Revenue	18,962		
Property by Tax Lien and Title	347,133	Deposits & Prepayments			
Other current Assets	404,496	Tax Anticipation Notes Payable			
TOTAL ASSETS	4,305,633	TOTAL LIABILITIES	3,551,972	TOTAL FUND EQUITY	753,661

Total Liabilities & Fund Equity: \$4,305,633

STATEMENT OF REVENUE

Acct.	Source of Revenue	Amount
TAXES		
3110	Property Taxes	9,167,207
3120	Land Use Change	
3185	Yield Taxes	
3189	Other Taxes - Boat Taxes	4,419
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	250,617
LICENSES, PERMITS, FEES		
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	738,736
3230	Building Permits	55,390
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees (Includes Building)	36,675
FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT		

FROM STATE		
3351	Shared Revenue (Block Grant	292,056
3353	Highway Block Grant	92,272
3355	Housing and Community Development	4,550
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)	23,517
CHARGES FOR SERVICES		
3401	Income from Departments	38,124
3409	Other Charges - Outside Police Duty	30,870
MISC. REVENUES		
3501	Sale of Municipal Property	2,470
3502	Interest on Investments	90,473
3503	Rents of Property	24,324
3504	Fines and Forfeits	15,759
3506	Insurance Dividends and Reimbursements	17,796
3509	Other	54,728

General Fund Balance

Unreserved Fund Balance	415,837.00
Fund Balance to be Retained	315,837.00

TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS	10,944,152
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TREASURER'S REPORT

Report for January 1, 1996 - December 31,

Balance on hand January 1, 1996 \$2,652,508.67

Receipts from Tax Collector	AMOUNT	N. H. Retirement (over payment)	57.56
1996 Property Tax	9,957,754.26	Federal Reimburse. (Flood Damage)	5,442.00
1995 Property Tax	431,314.59	TOTAL FROM STATE	456,743.32
Property Tax Interest	29,437.26	Receipts from Town Clerk	
Mortgage Notice Costs	4,052.00	W/H state of N. H.	3,437.00
Redemption Sales	447,582.55	U. C. C. Fees	5,025.75
Redemption Int/Costs	82,861.14	Motor Vehicles	843,221.00
Tax Sales Costs	257.00	Dog Licenses	4,471.25
Return Checks	(14,503.09)	Dog License Fines & Pick Up Fines	190.00
Return Checks Paid	15,366.09	Marriage Licenses	511.00
Return Check Fines	95.00	Certified Copies	491.00
Current Use	400.00	Municipal Agent Program	23,207.50
TOTAL	10,954,616.80	Dredge & Fill	50.00
FROM STATE OF N.H.		Boat Registrations	5,914.33
Police Training	221.00	Recordings	15.00
F. F. Reimbursement	234.64	Filing fees	19.00
Highway Block Grant	92,806.24	Voter Registrations	36.00
Witness Fees	2,473.80	Title fees	3,986.00
Shared Revenue	115,752.52	Miscellaneous	87.75
Emergency Manage. Reimb.	1,826.85	Return Check fees	390.00
Court Lease	25,881.16	1995 Returned Check Collected	37.50
Railroad Tax	729.10	1996 Returned Check Uncollected	(38.50)
Gas Tax Reimbursement	3,128.58	Bad Debt Write Off	(66.00)
Grants	5,975.00	Shortage	(100.00)
Comp. Fund of N. H.	26,434.06	Mail in Registration	1,474.00
Meals & Room Tax	175,780.81	TOTAL	892,359.58

FROM DISTRICT COURT		REIMBURSEMENTS	
Portion of Fines	2160.00	Cemetery Trustees	3,085.25
FROM FAMILY BANK		Health Insurance	7,499.52
Tax Anticipation Note	1,500,000.00	Welfare	550.42
Earned Interest	82,191.78	Public Telephone	68.62
Bank Adjustment of Error	2.76	Hazardous Waste Collection	18.72
TOTAL	1,582,194.54	Library	2,484.29
FROM FLEET BANK		Restitution to the Fire Depart.	673.01
Earned Interest	2,124.76	Marchionda Assoc. (over payment) Timberlane Regional Middle	112.50
		Rise Engineering Division	662.00
		Over Payment Transcription Plaistow/Process Engineering	828.75
		TOTAL	15,983.08
FROM OTHER SOURCES			
Police Department	13,897.00	Court Order	55,255.96
Fire Department	2,096.73	Court Order	3,209.40
Insurance Reports (Fire Dept.)	110.00	Cable	26,600.23
Health Department	7,404.58	Police Outside Detail	43,617.64
Recreation Department	22,946.00	Hawkers & Peddlers Permits	120.00
Returned Checks (Recreation)	(215.00)	Miscellaneous	921.85
Return Check Fines (Recreation)	15.00	Sale of Land	10,000.00
Inspection Office	67,482.40	Permits & Licenses	75.00
Planning Board	10,455.01	Dispatching Services	20,266.89
Zoning Board of Adjustment	4,745.00	Identi Kit Rentals	100.00
Assessors Office	450.50	Police Officer Settlement	32,000.00
Police Agreement	10,398.35	Water Bills Previous Years	56,531.02
Cemetery Lots Sold	2,500.00	Summons	75.40
Opening of Graves	425.00	Town Vehicle Sold	10,492.51
		TOTAL	401,976.47

TOTAL 1996 RECEIPTS	\$14,308,158.55
TOTAL 1996 DISBURSEMENTS	\$13,758,988.74
TOTAL	\$ 3,201,678.48

BALANCE ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 1996	\$ 3,156,176.69
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No Cash To Treasurer

Previous years abatements applied to 1996 Taxes	\$ 45,021.79
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Welfare Lien Payment applied to 1996 Taxes	480.00
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TOTAL	\$3,201,678.48
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Respectfully submitted,
Bernadine A. Fitzgerald, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

JANUARY 1, 1996 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1996

DEBITS

<u>MOTOR VEHICLE PERMITS ISSUED 1996:</u>	\$843,221.00
<u>FILING FEES:</u>	19.00
<u>DOG LICENSES (620 ISSUED):</u>	4,471.00
<u>FINES FOR DOG PICKUP:</u>	190.00
<u>MARRIAGES:</u>	511.00
<u>W/H STATE OF NH: (MARRIAGE & CERTIFIED COPIES)</u>	3,437.00
<u>CERTIFIED COPIES:</u>	491.00
<u>BOAT REGISTRATIONS:</u>	5,914.00
<u>UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODES:</u>	5,026.00
<u>TITLES:</u>	3,986.00
<u>MAIL IN REGISTRATION FEES:</u>	1,474.00
<u>MUNICIPAL AGENT PROGRAM:</u>	23,208.00
<u>VOTER REGISTRATION CERTIFICATION:</u>	36.00
<u>DREDGE & FILL PERMIT:</u>	50.00
<u>RECORDINGS:</u>	15.00
<u>DOG LICENSE REPORTS SOLD:</u>	32.00
<u>MISCELLANEOUS:</u>	56.00
<u>RETURNED CHECK FINES:</u>	<u>390.00</u>
	\$892,527.00

CREDITS

REMITTANCE TO TREASURER:

<u>MOTOR VEHICLE PERMITS:</u>	\$843,221.00
<u>FILING FEES:</u>	19.00
<u>DOG LICENSES:</u>	4,471.00
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UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE:	5,026.00	
TITLES:	3,986.00	
MAIL IN REGISTRATION FEES:	1,474.00	
MUNICIPAL AGENT PROGRAM:	23,208.00	
VOTERS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATION:	36.00	
DREDGE & FILL PERMITS:	50.00	
RECORDINGS:	15.00	
DOG LICENSE REPORTS SOLD:	32.00	
MISCELLANEOUS:	56.00	
RETURNED CHECK FINES:	390.00	
		<u>\$892,527.00</u>
1995 BAD CHECK COLLECTED		37.50
1996 RETURNED CHECKS UNCOLLECTED		-38.50
BAD DEBT (WRITE OFF)		-66.00
SHORTAGE		<u>-100.00</u>
<u>REMITTED TO TREASURER</u>		<u>\$892,360.00</u>

Respectfully submitted
Barbara E. Tavitian, Town Clerk

BUILDING DEPARTMENT 1996 YEAR END REPORT

	BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED, 1996	
ISSUED	TYPE	VALUE
6	Commercial New Building	\$1,279,040
22	Commercial Additions/Alterations	\$1,368,242
40	Residential Homes	\$2,944,980
64	Residential Homes Additions/Alterations	\$554,446
12	Residential Garages/Additions	\$94,002
14	Sheds	\$21,569
16	Deck/Porches	\$50,650
9	Above Ground pools	\$32,698
2	In-Ground pools	\$18,000
10	Demolition	\$250
5	Tent Sales	\$125
3	Foundation	\$27,000
203	TOTAL VALUE	\$6,363,877

	REVENUE FOR 1996	
ISSUED	TYPE	REVENUE
203	Building Permits	\$33,554
197	Electric Permits	\$6,809
71	Plumbing Permits	\$3,216
58	Mechanical/Gas Permits	\$3,947
40	Well Permits	\$645
70	Septic Permits	\$2,782
43	Sign Permits	\$1,370
42	Occupancy Permits	\$390
1	Fines	\$586
20	Miscellaneous/Licenses	\$1,229
745	TOTAL	\$50,953

Respectfully submitted,
P. Michael Dorman, Code Enforcement Officer

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY TRUSTEE'S

INCOME	
TOWN OF PLAISTOW	146,443.00
DONATIONS	4,410.95
FINES	2,969.46
COPIER FEES	1,600.58
INTEREST ON DEPOSITS	1,372.34
LOST BOOKS	337.17
T-SHIRT SALES	167.00
BOOK SALES	143.20
NON-RESIDENT FEES	140.00
DEPOSIT ERROR	.01
TOTAL	157,583.71

EXPENSES	
BOOKS	16,695.84
BUILDING INSURANCE	1,410.00
CAPITAL EQUIPMENT	3,094.00
CONTINUING EDUCATION	1,343.98
ELECTRICITY	4,141.81
GAS	967.90
HEALTH, LIFE, DISABILITY INSURANCE	11,509.40
JANITOR SERVICE	4,030.40
MISCELLANEOUS	101.40
PERIODICALS	2,806.06
POSTAGE	161.37
PROFESSIONAL DUES	185.00
PUBLIC ACTIVITIES	1,123.80
REFERENCE	8,047.72
REPAIRS/MAINTENANCE	2,153.88
SALARIES	82,993.93
SECURITY	190.00
SOCIAL SECURITY/MEDICARE	6,349.14
SUPPLIES	2,495.67
TELEPHONE	1,386.86
TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT	705.85
UNEMPLOYMENT	31.85
WORKERS COMPENSATION	390.07
RETURNED TO THE TOWN	877.00
TOTAL	153,192.93
LIBRARY ACCOUNT BALANCES	
ROGER B. HILL MEMORIAL FUND	10,000.00
FINES/LOST BOOKS FUND	3,127.84
SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND	7,521.17

MEMORIAL FUNDS (IN HONOR OF): ANNIE L. DOW MURIEL HERRICK SHEILA MCPHERSON PAUL D. PALMER IRVING E. PEASLEE VIRGINIA ROBINSON DAVID WOOD BUILDING FUND ENCYCLOPEDIA FUND	7,877.87
CONTI FAMILY FUND	561.64

Respectfully submitted,
CATHERINE EMMONS, CHAIR
SCOTT LANE, ASSISTANT CHAIRPERSON
WILLIAM RUGER, SECRETARY (RESIGNED)
JILL SENTER
CATHERINE WILLIS, TREASURER

POLICE DEPARTMENT CRIME STATISTICS

CRIME STATISTICS - THROUGH - DECEMBER 31, 1996

OFFENSE/INCIDENT	01/01/94	01/01/95	01/01/96	% 1995-
	12/31/94	12/31/95	12/31/96	1996
MURDER/MANSLAUGHTER	0	0	0	0
BURGLARY	66	70	91	+30%
THEFT	254	353	359	+02%
MV THEFT/RECOVERY	92	96	82	-15%
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	116	292	237	-19%
DWI	43	26	22	-15%
MV ACCIDENTS	269	419	452	+08%
ALARMS	897	813	890	+09%
ASSAULTS	51	120	103	-14%
CALLS FOR SERVICE	57,519*	9,385	12,877	+37%
COURT CASES	1,628	1,378	1,005	-27%
ARRESTS - ADULTS	316	380	404	+06%
JUVENILES	68	81	108	+33%
TRAFFIC CITATIONS	1,294	1,360	718	-47%

*This figure represents an old tracking method.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen C. Savage
Chief of Police

PLAISTOW CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN (1997-2001)

1/9/97

(with \$1.5M Bond in 1998)

CAPITAL ITEM BY DEPARTMENT	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
FIRE DEPARTMENT					
1) Replace Fire Engine ('04)					
2) Purchase new tank for 39 Engine 1 ('96)					
3) Hot Top area in front of station ('96)					
4) Install Ventilation System					
Grants					
Subtotal					
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT					
1) Replace 6/W Mack Dump Truck 35000 GVW Plow Wing & Sander		\$100,000			
2) F350 Ford 4WD Dump Truck, Plow & Sander ('96)					
4) Dome Salt Shed (650 tons)	W	\$55,000			
5) Complete reclamation of Crane Crossing Road ('96)					
6) Complete reclamation of Smith Corner Road	W	\$87,100			
7) Complete reclamation of Whiton Place and Oak Ridge		\$152,500			
8) Complete reclamation of Hill Top and Willard Way			\$86,760	\$261,770	
9) Reclaim and add walkway to Old County Road					
10) Finish Reclamation of Forrest St. ('95)					
11) Other Road Projects	W	\$15,775	\$24,792		\$34,986
12) Reclamation of Kelly Road					\$88,000
Building Grant - EPA 319 Grant Program					
Highway Block Grant Funds Available	W	(\$102,875)	(\$111,552)	(\$117,129)	(\$122,986)
Subtotal		\$55,000	\$146,260	\$144,641	
LIBRARY					
1) Build a 13,000 sf Library on 3-5 acres.			BOND \$1,300,000		
2) Copy Machine ('96)					
3) Paint & Repairing of Library	B	\$9,250			
Income from Trust Funds					
Subtotal		\$9,250	(\$41,400)	(\$100,000)	(\$80,000)
PARKS & RECREATION					
1) New Recreation Field: 2-Baseball Diamonds, 2 multipurpose	W	\$50,000	(\$50,000)	(\$100,000)	(\$80,000)
2) Upgrade existing play equipment at Smith Field	W	\$15,000	(\$41,400)	(\$100,000)	(\$80,000)
3) Building for concessions and toilet facilities(New Site)			\$20,000		
5) Playground (New Site)			\$30,000		
Building Grants & Fundraising					
Subtotal		(\$7,500)	\$50,000		
		\$57,500			

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PLAISTOW CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN (1997-2001)

(with \$1.5M Bond in 1998)

CAPITAL ITEM BY DEPARTMENT		1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT						
1) Remove & Replace 500 Gallon Inground Storage Tank			\$10,000			
Grant			(\$5,000)			
Subtotal			\$5,000			
TAX ASSESSING OFFICE						
1) GIS Tax Maps, Property Revaluation & Computerization	W	\$75,000	\$45,000			
Grants						
Subtotal		\$75,000	\$45,000			
HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMITTEE						
1) Sidewalk Improvements (Railroad Tracks to Ingalls Terr.)	W	\$75,000		\$10,000	\$10,000	
Grants		(\$60,000)				
Subtotal		\$15,000		\$10,000	\$10,000	
PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT						
1) Route 125 Study	W	\$10,000				\$15,000
2) Building Inspector Vehicle Replacement						
Grants						
Subtotal		\$10,000				\$15,000
BONDED DEBT						
1) Safety Complex & Landfill	B	\$184,004	\$172,174	\$87,943	\$81,340	
2) Library & WaterLine			\$41,400	\$228,750	\$220,575	\$212,325
Other Funds - Land Closure		(\$60,000)				
Subtotal		\$124,004	\$213,574	\$316,693	\$301,915	\$212,325
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COST - TOTAL						
OFFSETTING FUNDS - PRIVATE/PUBLIC		\$677,429	\$599,594	\$559,745	\$619,685	\$555,311
NET TOTAL		(\$251,475)	(\$161,375)	(\$161,552)	(\$217,129)	(\$202,986)
		\$425,954	\$438,219	\$398,193	\$402,556	\$352,325
ALLOCATION (Based on History)						
Delta		\$422,476	\$425,229	\$427,982	\$430,745	\$433,508
		\$3,478	\$12,990	(\$29,789)	(\$28,189)	(\$81,183)
NOTE: W=Warrant Article; B=Operating Budget						

Town Meeting Minutes 1996

Saturday, March 16

The Moderator opened the Town Meeting at 10:00 A. M. at Timberlane Regional High School with a salute to the flag. We had approximately one hundred people in attendance. The Moderator spelled out the rules for Town Meeting. Robert's Rules of Order is used as a guide line

The Moderator was informed that John Palmer had passed away, and we stopped and observed a moment of silence in his memory.

The proper petition was received prior to the opening of the meeting for a secret ballot on Article 24.

An announcement was made about the beautiful afghan on display for the two hundred & fiftieth anniversary that would be sold to raise money for the occasion.

George Melvin presented Delorse Ackerman Keiser with a clock for her many years of service on the Board of Selectmen. Charles Blinn gave a retirement speech acknowledging her devotion and caring for the Town of Plaistow and it's people.

Charles Blinn also acknowledged Donald and Judy Sargent for their dedication to the town. This years Annual Report was dedicated to Don and Judy.

Mary Collins made a motion to allow Ann Sharpe, Ken Crowell, and Bob Belmore to speak on certain articles. This was seconded by Delorse Ackerman Keiser. A voice vote was taken, and this motion passed.

John Sherman made a motion to accept the budget as read, seconded by Brenda Major.

Barbara Hobbs made a motion to only highlight significant items on the budget, seconded by Ken Thurston.

ARTICLE 13 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as maybe necessary for general town operations and charges for the ensuing year.

After much discussion on Article 13, the Moderator moved the question. The total of the operating budget approved by the voters by a voice vote was \$3,276,688.

ARTICLE 14 To see if the town will vote to accept the New Hampshire Department of Transportation Highway Block Grant in the amount of \$92,806 for maintenance construction and re-construction of Class IV and V roads in accordance with Chapter 235 of the New Hampshire Revised Statues Chapter 235 of the New Hampshire Revised Statues Annotated and appropriate said sum for local highway maintenance.

Mary Collins made a motion to accept article as read, seconded by Douglas Laing. A voice vote was taken, and the article was adopted.

ARTICLE 15 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum sum of \$35,350 to complete energy conservation measure (ECM) improvements to the following town buildings. town hall, public safety complex, and historical society building. 50% of the cost, or \$17,675 is reimbursable under the Governor's Office of Energy and Community Services ECM Grant Program.

State Grant	= \$17,675
Raised by town	= \$17,675

Total Project Cost \$35,350

George Melvin made a motion to accept article as read, seconded by Delorse Ackerman Keiser.

An amendment was made by Lawrence Hubka to add at the end of the article the following words "if, and only if state money will pay the projected \$17,675." Seconded Elizabeth Hubka.

A voice vote was taken on the amendment and the amendment was defeated.

The Moderator moved the question, and a voice vote was taken and this article was adopted.

ARTICLE 16 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$140,000 to bring the town hall into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act contingent upon 50% of the project cost, not to exceed \$75,000, being reimbursed through a Public Facility Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) through the Office of State Planning . The project will include installation of a full service elevator and replacement and upgrade of the existing handicap access ramp as well as other necessary building modifications.

State Grant (not to exceed)	= \$75,000
Raised by Town (not to exceed)	= 65,000
Total Project cost (not to exceed)	\$140,000

George Melvin made a motion to accept article as read, seconded by Ken Thurston.

The State sent a letter saying that when the town received the grant and our portion does not exceed \$65,000, meets the ADA requirements, and to construct a handicap access ramp, The Bureau Of Court Facilities will meet one-half the cost which is \$32,500. This grant also includes \$12,000 to upgrade the electrical at town hall. This project will not be done unless the State Grant is received.

Barry Sargent moved the question, and a voice vote was taken and this article was adopted.

ARTICLE 17 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75,000 to complete new, revised accurate tax maps of the town to include aerial photography and digital mapping through GIS/Geographic Information System computerization. Note. This is the first year of a multi-year project to complete town-wide mapping & a town-wide revaluation of real estate property. The next phase is estimated at a cost of \$120,000.

George Melvin made a motion to accept article as read, seconded by B. Jill Senter.

A voice vote was taken, and this article was adopted.

ARTICLE 18 To see if the town will vote to establish an assessing office clerk position and vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to fund the position for the first year. The assessing clerk position will be established as a part time position of approximately 24 hours per week and the clerk position will be established consistent with the requirements under the town manager form of government. (NH RSA Chapter 37)

Charles Blinn made a motion to accept this article as read, seconded by Larry Gil.

A voice vote was taken, and this article was adopted.

ARTICLE 19 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,500 to cover the costs associated with the establishment of a Technical Review Committee (TRC) which will serve as a technical advisory committee to the Planning Board. Said sum will pay for contracted services in the Rockingham Planning Commission in overseeing the implementation of this advisory committee. The purpose of this committee is to streamline the planning process and provide technical review support for plans presented to the Plaistow Planning Board .

Larry Gil made a motion to accept article as read, seconded by George Melvin.
A voice vote was taken, and this article was adopted.

ARTICLE 20 To see if the town will vote to raise and \$24,500 for Phase III computer plan for the police department of which \$15,000 is reimbursable under the COPS MORE Federal Grant

Federal Grant	= \$15,000
Raised by Town	= <u>9,500</u>
	\$24,500

Mary Collin made a motion to accept this article as read, seconded by Thomas Vinci.

Chief Savage explained the article, this is the third year of the grant and is committed by the government. This money reflects for the purchase of four laptop computers so the officers can remain on the streets, and not have to come back to the station to do their reports.

A voice vote was taken, and this article was adopted.

ARTICLE 21 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$31,752 which represents salary, fringe benefits, uniforms and equipment for an additional full-time police officer position beginning January 1, 1996, as continued annual funding (three year 75% - 25% grant position) of a Federal Police Hiring Supplemental Grant of which \$24,439 is reimbursable under the COPS FAST Federal Grant.

Federal Grant	= \$23,439
Raised by Town	= <u>8,313</u>
Total Cost	= \$31,752

Mary Collins made a motion to accept this article as read, seconded by Delorse Ackerman Keiser.

Chief Savage thanked the town for funded this last year, and this is the second full year. It allowed for promotion within, and an additional D.A.R.E. officer for the seventh grade.

A voice vote was taken, and this article was adopted.

ARTICLE 22 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum OF \$6.000 to repair and replace the town sidewalk on Park Avenue (exterior of Town Hall Green) and loam and seed any and all affected as read.

Delorse Ackerman Keiser made a motion to accept article as read, seconded by Brenda Major.
A voice vote was taken, and this article was adopted.

ARTICLE 23 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to purchase computer hardware and software and to install a Local Area NETWORK (LAN) within the town hall offices. The network will allow for "on-line" sharing of information between departments within the town hall as well as

the sharing of printer resources.

Charles Blinn made a motion to accept this article as read, seconded by Steven Savage.

John Sherman stated that we had an outside consultant to help develop this plan. Included in this article is money for training. It will link the departments together while maintaining security where needed.

A voice vote was taken, and this article was adopted.

ARTICLE 24 To see if the town will vote to recognize the elected position of town clerk as a full-time town position entitled to the same benefits' package provided to nonunion full-time employees covered under the Town Personal Plan, and to vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,400 to cover the estimated increase for costs of benefits to this fiscal year (1996).

Delorse Ackerman Keiser made a motion to accept this article as read, seconded by Mary Collins.

Delorse Ackerman Keiser explained the town clerk was the only elected official working a full time work week. She also stated that the position of deputy town clerk with all its benefits made more money than the position of town clerk. Delorse explained the increase over the past several years of revenue in that office.

John Sherman stated that the Budget Committee did not recommend this article for several reasons. This 5,400 amount is for only three quarters of the year. It would cost an annual salary of \$7,800. It is also not a full time position, the town clerk can set her own hours. He stated that when a person runs for that position, they know what the salary is. The warrant states that it is a full time position, but the town clerk can state her own hours. Michael Emmons made a comment that we were voting on the position, not the person. Many other comments were made on this article.

Larry Gil made an amendment to this article, "To see if the town will vote to recognize the elected position of Town Clerk as a full time position entitled to a salary and benefits package subject to a fee agreement that considers salary and benefit packages based on a yearly performance review by the Town Manager.

George Melvin seconded this article.

John Sherman stated that there was not any money budgeted for this article, and Town Manager could give whatever raise he saw fit. The Town Manager cannot give performance approval over an elected official.

Larry Gil withdrew the article due to procedural flaws, George Melvin withdrew his second.

A secret ballot on this article was taken, and this article was defeated.

Yes	26	No	74
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ARTICLE 25 To see if the town will vote to approve the cost item included in the two year collective bargaining agreement reached between the Board of Selectmen and the Support Staff Union (AFSCME Local #1801) which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

Year	Estimated Increase
1996 - 4/1/96 to 12/31/96	\$8,825
1997 - 1/1/97 to 12/31/97	\$9,404

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,825 for the 1996 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing level paid in the prior fiscal year.

Larry Gil made a motion to accept this article as read, seconded by Delorse Ackerman Keiser.

A voice vote was taken, and this article was adopted.

ARTICLE 26 To see if the town will vote to adopt the following town ordinance and authorize the Board of Selectmen to adopt changes or amendments to the ordinance pursuant to State Statue

LIQUIDS ON STREET & SIDEWALKS

Interference with vehicular or pedestrian traffic No person shall deposit or cause to be deposited any liquid from private property in or upon any street sidewalk or town -owned land in the Town of Plaistow in such a manner as to cause a condition hazardous to pedestrian movements or to the normal and reasonable flow of vehicle traffic. Any person, persons, firm or corporation violating this Ordinance shall be fined not less than ten dollars (\$10) nor more than twenty dollars (\$20) for each day such violation shall continue after written notice from the Highway Supervisor, Police Chief, Code Enforcement Officer, or Town Manager.

Adopted pursuant to State of New Hampshire RSA 41: 11 and 47 : 17.

Mary Collins made a motion to accept article as read, seconded by Merilyn Senter.

Ken Crowell spoke on this article citing safety and cost were a factor. Streets are icy because water from basements and back yards were being drain in the street. A pipe could temporarily be placed on the top of a catch basin to help relieve this problem.

Chief Savage believes the intent of the ordinance is those issues when someone causes something to be deposited rather than a natural occurrence .

A voice vote was taken, and the vote could not be determined.

A standing vote was taken, and this article was adopted.

YES 65

NO 22

ARTICLE 27 To se if the town will vote to adopt the provisions of State of New Hampshire RSA Chapter 154 and to vote in accordance with this RSA the following: to have the fire chief appointed by the town manager with firefighters appointed by the fire chief, and to have a Board of Firewards (Fire Engineers). The Board of Firewards shall be a committee of five persons, four shall be elected for one year terms. The fifth member shall be the Fire Chief then in office.

Larry Gil made a motion to accept this article as read seconded by Delorse Ackerman Keiser.

Larry Gil read a letter from the Fire Marshall, Donald Bliss. The basis of this article is to bring the town in compliance with RSA 154:1 There are no changes in our fire department now, it just brings it into compliance with the RSA.

Chief Petzold stated that this was just a house keeping article.

A voice vote was taken, and this article was adopted.

ARTICLE 28 To see if the town will vote to reduce the number established for the Plaistow Conservation Commission from seven (7) to five (5) members in accordance with State of New Hampshire RSA 36-A: 3.

George Melvin made a motion to accept this article as read, seconded by Thomas Vinci.

Timothy Moore stated that it was difficult to have seven members attend, so meetings had to be canceled. This five member board would help them meet the required number of members.

A voice vote was taken, and this article was adopted.

ARTICLE 29 To see if the town will to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell by deed without covenants to John Wilder a parcel of land off Old County Road, approximately 2 acres +/- and described on the town tax map as M52-B1-L1 for the sum of \$10,000 and under terms and conditions to be determined by the Board of Selectmen to be in the best interest of the town.

Larry Gill made a motion to accept this article as read, seconded by George Melvin.

Larry spoke on this article. The additional terms that have already been negotiated as part of this sale (should you approve the sale) include Mr. Wilder giving the Town a water easement to the adjoining parcel he owns. We will also maintain a water easement to the parcel we sell him. These water easements became necessary as part of the Groundwater Management Zone, designated by the State Department of Environmental Services, on our Permit acquired for our closed landfill. The easement will restrict Mr. Wilder or any future owner from digging a well for water on these parcels of land. These easements will bring us into compliance with this permitting requirement. The State Permit has allowed the Town to reduce its testing requirements of the closed town landfill, a cost savings.

Bertha Hill made a motion to table this article, seconded Thomas Vinci.

A voice vote was taken, on this motion and the outcome could not be determined.

A standing vote was taken, and the motion to table the article passed.

Yes 51 No 43

ARTICLE 30 To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell by deed without covenants to Panciocco Builders, Inc., the town's 50% ownership interest in a parcel of land off Witch Lane, approximately 20.2 acres +/-, and described on the town tax map as M49-B1-L2 for the sum of \$20,000 and the outstanding back taxes commencing 8/21/91 to date of transfer of title of approximately \$4,000 under terms and conditions to be determined by the Board of Selectmen to be in the best interest of the town.

The sale will help us come into compliance with a 1991 court order agreement made with the other owner of this parcel, a Mr. Henry Torero. Additional terms already negotiated (should you approve the sale).

Larry Gill made a motion to accept article as read, seconded by Delorse Ackerman Keiser.

A motion to table this article was made by Thomas Vinci, seconded by B. Jill Senter.

A voice vote was taken, and it was not clear to some voters as to the outcome.

A motion was made by Michael Emmons, seconded by Thomas Vinci for a standing vote. The motion to table this article did not pass. article did not pass.

Yes 25 No 63

A standing vote was taken to have Pat Panciocco speak on this article and she was granted permission to speak.

Yes 68 No 17

Dennis Marcotte expressed concern over the safety of the children, and also the increase of the traffic flow. He stated that everyone used Main St. as a shortcut. His family dog was killed by a speeding vehicle, and he is very concerned about his granddaughter living across the street.

Donald Sargent asked if we had to build a bridge over Little River? The answer was yes we would have to build a bridge.

Donald Sargent made a motion to move the question, seconded by Ken Thurston.

A standing vote was taken, and this article did not pass.

Yes 40 No 45

ARTICLE 29 George Melvin made a motion to take this article off the table, seconded by Charles Blinn.

A voice vote was taken, and this motion was defeated.

ARTICLE 31 To see if the town will vote to discontinue pursuant to New Hampshire Revised Statute Annotated 231: 43, the unnamed road that runs through Brandy Brow Auto Parts, said road running from the New Hampshire/Massachusetts state line Route 108 (a/k/a Newton Road).

Charles Blinn made a motion to accept this article as read, seconded by Michael Dorman.

Ken Crowell state that the road had not been maintained by the town since February 7, 1937, by the town. James Flaherty, Supt. of the Highway Dept. wants to discontinue the road on the Haverhill end as well. Ken Crowell feel that we let Brandy Brow take over the road.

Merilyn Senter stated her concern about public safety issues and it was said that there was another access. The road is in front of the office.

A voice vote was taken, and this article was adopted.

ARTICLE 32 To see if the town will vote to change the name of Pheasant Lane back to Old Road. Robert Senter stated that when 911 came into existence some changes were made on the street names. Sweet Hill Road, Sweet Hill Ave., Pollard Road, Pollard Ave. can be confused by emergency services in the town. Old Road is not named like any other in town. Old Road is Old Road. Old Road has been here since the early 1800's and paved in the early 1900's. Old County Road is not like Old Road. He disagrees with the Police Chief, Fire Chief, and Board of Selectmen. Residents signed a petition disagreeing with the name change. A tragic fire happened a short time ago and fire & police services from other towns came and there was not a problem finding Old Road.

Robert Senter made a motion to change Pheasant Lane back to Old Road, seconded by B. Jill Senter.

Chief Savage said the police had not changed it's view on the name of Pheasant Lane, he stated much confusion over Old County Road, Old Danville Road, Old Road, Chief Old County Road, Old Danville Road, Old Road, Chief Savage as that we consider leaving it Pheasant Lane. Chief Petzold confirmed what Chief Savage said.

Chief Savage made a concern about the calls going to Concord and they are not familiar with our town.

B. Jill Senter felt that it would not be a problem because of qualified people in Concord and also in our town to handle the new system.

A voice vote could not determine the outcome of the vote.

A standing vote was taken, and this article was adopted.

Yes	49	No	35
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ARTICLE 33 To see if the town will vote to freeze all salaries, wages, merit increases, fringe benefits, step or grade increases, and COLs for all employees and elected officials for one year.

There were not any petitioners to present to explain this article.

Delorse Ackerman Keiser made a motion to table this article, seconded by Ken Thurston.

Delorse Ackerman Keiser withdrew her motion, and Ken Thurston withdrew his second.

Delorse Ackerman Keiser made a motion to pass over this article, seconded by Ken Thurston.

A voice vote was taken, and this article was passed over.

ARTICLE 34 To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of surplus town property by public auction, sealed bid, or in any manner in the best interest of the town.

Charles Blinn made a motion to accept article as read, seconded by George Melvin.

Charles Blinn explained that this was a housekeeping article which we do every year. It pertains to police cruisers, highway trucks and used equipment the town does not have need for any longer. The money goes into the General Fund.

Dennis Marcotte questioned whether this pertained to Real Estate Property, it does not. He also wanted to know why the auction were held during a week day or at times when most folk would be working. It was said that the auctions will try and be held on a Saturday so that it will be available to more people.

A voice vote was taken, and this article was adopted.

ARTICLE 35 To see if the town will vote to accept funds for perpetual care of town cemetery lots, said funds to be paid over to the Trustee of the Trust Funds.

Thomas Vinci made a motion to accept this article as read, seconded by Larry Gil.

Merilyn Senter made a motion to amend this article to insert the words "Adopted indefinitely, until rescinded, under the provisions of RSA 31: 19 III at the end of the article so that Article 35 reads as follows: Article 35. To see if the town will vote to accept funds for perpetual care of town cemetery lots, said funds to be paid over to the Trustees of the Trust Funds, adopted indefinitely, until rescinded, under the provisions of RSA 31:19 III. Ken Thurston seconded this motion.

A voice vote was taken, and this amendment was adopted.

ARTICLE 36 To see if the town will vote to accept, as submitted, the reports of its agents, auditors, and other officers and committees thereby appointed.

George Melvin made a motion to accept this article, seconded by Henry Szymt.

Henry Szymt asked if this could be amended as the above article, but it cannot because the figures change every year.

A voice vote was taken, and this article was adopted.

Beverly Reed noted a typographical error on page 26, for the property tax for 1995. The corrected figure is \$8,683,293.

John Sherman thanked the voters on behalf of the Budget Committee for being informed on the issues, and attending the meeting.

A motion was made to close the meeting at 3:45 PM.

A true copy attest:
March 22, 1996

Barbara E. Tavitian
Town Clerk, Plaistow, N.H.

REPORTS OF TOWN DEPARTMENTS

Report of the Board of Selectmen

In reflecting in this past year, 1996, was a year of challenges physical, emotional and operational for much of your town government. Many of life's challenges come about through circumstances beyond your control. It is in dealing with these challenges that we all can derive a sense of accomplishment, of what is right and a sense of pride about ourselves, our neighbors, and ultimately about our country. Some challenges are best dealt with as quickly as possible others require time and thought in the planning and implementation before their success can properly be measured.

First and foremost 1996 was a year of physical challenges, a record snowfall and rain events taxed our ability to operate on and maintain our road system and drainage ways. In virtually all respects this challenge was met and I would like to thank Ken Crowll, Dan Garlington, Mario Mejia and Glen Peabody of our Highway Department for their efforts in keeping our roads and drainage open and functioning.

We also faced a number of operational challenges, the rehiring of Robert Belmore as Town Manager, revaluation of properties, establishment of a water department, lack of a signed contract with our police. The position of Town Manager is a most difficult one. The rehiring of Robert Belmore represents a singular achievement for this town. In the two years of his employment he has brought to our government efficiency, significant cost savings and upgrading services. We believe we have resolved most of our long standing abatement cases and continue to move forward towards a complete town evaluation in the next year or so. Separation of the Water Department operations and oversight from the duties of the Fire Chief are expected to result in a better tracking of expenditures, time and operations. Despite the lack of a signed contract our police force has performed well and we continue to be fortunate to maintain a high degree of professionalism under Chief Savage's leadership.

On a snowy cold day in March at the height of our grief we received a Plaistow Police escort from Logan Airport, later the out pouring of compassion from you the townspeople provided my family with one of our most treasured memories.

A special thank you to Dianne Nye. Dianne has opted to spend more time with her family and recently resigned as the Town's Recreational Director. While her leadership and "can do attitude" will be missed we all recognize the priority of family needs.

After years of hard work on the part of many people the Cash Energy site was finally recognized as a site eligible to receive federal funding for clean up.

Lastly but most certainly not least has been the challenge of working with the Board of Selectmen. With the addition of Marilyn Senter to the Board we have all benefitted by her knowledge, work ethic and commitment to our town. In representing the broad views and interests of the public we are best served by a board which reflects that diversity but still can come to consensus in the best interests of all. I believe we have accomplished that and look forward to continuing that effort in the coming year.

Respectfully Yours,

Lawrence W. Gil, Chairman

Charles L. Blinn Jr.

Mary M. Collins

George E. Melvin

Marilyn P. Senter

Report of the Town Manager

When your town officials sit down to write their Annual Report, it allows us an opportunity to reflect upon some of our accomplishments over the past year, obviously a chance to “toot our horn” a bit. I hope you’ll agree that there is occasion this past year to commend your town government for doing its job well. By that I mean, town services being maintained to your level of expectation and improved in some instances.

Our approach to serving the Plaistow community continues to be one which balances the need to grow with the times in terms of staffing, facilities and equipment, while maintaining a keen eye on what impact change will have on the community’s ability to provide the funding.

Striving for excellence, an adage, perhaps overused in recent times, but worthy of continued reflection describes the approach taken by your town staff. I think as you read the various reports contained in this Annual Report you’ll come across examples of how forward thinking and responsive each official, both elected and appointed, is to enhancing this community with new programs or improving on past action plans to meet your needs, residential and business alike.

I am pleased to be able to report that the Town portion of the 1996 tax rate went down two cents while at the same time we continued to improve the town’s overall financial integrity. An excerpt from our auditor’s Executive Summary of the 1995 fiscal year budget reads (1995 books are audited in 1996, 1996 will be done in 1997),

- the Town’s financial position improved dramatically in 1995. The Town’s undesignated fund balance improved from a negative balance of \$26,000 to a positive \$415,000.

We have worked hard over 1996 to attempt to ensure our books remain strong, which in turn places us in a better position to work at maintaining a level town tax rate. (Please keep in mind the town

portion of the tax rate is about 25%, the school is about 69%, and the county is about 6%.)

Other efforts working to meet this objective included updates on the town Capital Improvements Plan. This Yearly Expenditure Plan keeps a level spending program in place while looking at and prioritizing the entire Town's various departments' capital equipment and facility needs. Special revenue, grants and other cost measures realized during the year included.

- a new court lease with the State of NH for the 2nd floor of the town hall (last adjustment was negotiated in 1991) with a yearly adjustment to be determined by the CPI, this action will increase the yearly lease payments to \$6,604 for the first year;
- reimbursement for a 1995 hazardous materials spill from the responsible company of approximately \$4,392, this is coming after two days of hearings at the State level and months of delays in holding the appeal hearings and waiting time for the actual ruling;
- reimbursement from the federal and state government of \$7,241 in town money spent to handle clean up operations during this October 29th flood disaster;
- collection and payment of 1992-1995 fire suppression water line bills in the revenue amount of \$56,531 and the credit amount of another \$11,168; negotiations are still undergoing for some \$30,000 plus still outstanding arrears;
- collection and payment of \$34,000 in arrears for several years due in relation to a planning board development agreement.

Best wishes to all for a prosperous and joyful new year.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert M. Belmore
Town Manager

Report of the Animal Control Officer

We would like to thank the Town Officers and residents who worked with us during this past year. The rabies in the animals in this section of the state is at a low right now but may not stay that way this year. In the northern part of the state there is a new strain of Rabies that has traveled from west to east into New Hampshire and may head south into our section.

The Animal Control Office is asking residents to get their pets rabies shots this year so we can stay ahead of a problem if the rabies heads south.

Please protect your family from a very serious disease that is caused by the RABIES in animals.

Court summons will be issued to owners of dogs in the Town of Plaistow that are not licensed, this is the way to control Rabies before it starts.

Thank you again.

LIST OF CALLS

General Information	784	Licensed dogs for 1996	610
Information for lost dogs	91	Opossums live trapped	24
Lost cat	82	Opossums hit by cars	15
Dogs killed by cars	27	Deer hit by cars	6
Cats killed by cars	60	Deer killed by dogs	1
Dogs put to sleep	11	Fox killed by cars	3
Dogs returned to owners	72	Skunks trapped alive	34
Reported dog bites	12	Skunks killed on road	18
Dogs to new homes	19	Cats put to sleep	28
Dogs picked up	81	Raccoons killed by autos	17
Unrestrained dogs	126	Raccoons trapped alive put to sleep	9
Bat Problems	4	Woodchucks trapped alive	32
Animals in chimneys	13	Raccoons found dead in yards	7
Beavers killed on roads	12		

Respectfully submitted,
Donald and Judy Sargent
Animal Control Officers

Report of the Cemetery Sexton

In the year 1996 a few changes were effected at our cemetery. Among them was the mowing, trimming, raking and shrub care which was contracted out to Lavalle Landscaping Co. There was an adjustment period that found a few flaws and misunderstanding, however, I believe those problems have been addressed and corrected. Next year (1997) should progress well

There always seems to be a period of adjustment when new people get involved and changes are made. Never the less, we are all working towards a common goal for the benefit of all.

Looking ahead our team wants to make Plaistow Cemetery a very attractive and well managed long term care facility of which we can all be proud.

Among the projects that we are considering as capital improvements over the next five years are:

1. Moving shed with foundation and landscaping
2. Paving Roads
3. A new well
4. Repair and install new fencing as necessary
5. Stump removal
6. Update rules and regulations

This is an ambitious program that is feasible with cooperation of all concerned and the time to do it is now.

As always I wish to thank everyone involved for all their help and concerns.

Respectfully submitted
Herbert Reed

Report of the Code Enforcement Office

1996 has been a challenging, exciting, and productive year. Kay Fitzpatrick, my secretary and friend, retired in May and will be sorely missed and we wish her happiness. She has been replaced by Ms. Kate Reusch, a very capable and outgoing individual.

I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome to the Department, Jeff Paradis, our new Plumbing/Mechanical Inspector. I would also like to thank Jack Scione, who has been our Electrical Inspector for three years for all he has done over and above doing Electrical Inspections.

The Planning Board formed a new Technical Review Committee (TRC). As Zoning Official I support, and sit, on this new committee. The purpose of the Technical Review Committee is to help streamline the Site Plan and Subdivision planning process. It has increased my work load but it is beneficial to the Town.

As I have said in the past, very little revenue is generated enforcing zoning issues but this office must commit about thirty (30) percent of its time dealing with these complaints and/or violations in both Residential and Commercial Zones. The majority of the residential complaints come from abutters. The rest are generated by this office observing violations in the field.

As of this writing, the Building department has issued 199 Building Permits for a total of 745 permits overall for 1996. Below is the breakdown to date. As you may or may not know, these permits are the major source of revenue and as such require our undivided attention on a daily basis with plan review, permits and site inspections to ensure compliance with all Building, Zoning, Site Plan and Subdivision Regulations.

At this time, it appears 1997 will be a continuation of 1996. Residential Housing will continue with 30 - 40 new homes. Commercial and Industrial growth, I speculate will be better than 1996.

Respectfully submitted,
P. Michael Dorman,
Code Enforcement Officer

Report of the Conservation Commission

In 1996 the Conservation Commission continued our annual water sampling program at 17 sites including Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) tests at 8 of 17 sites. The VOC testing did not reveal any traces of VOCs at any of the 8 sites which include: Kelley Brook at Kelley Road (before Cash Oil), Kelley Brook at Main Street, Bryant Brook at East Road, Little River at Crane Crossing Road, Little River at Kingston Road, Little River at Main Street, Little River at Rout 125, and Little River at the Atkinson Town Line.

The results from the 1996 testing were not available in time to include in this report.

Throughout the year, the Conservation Commission made several site inspections on behalf of the Planning Board and Code Enforcement Officer as well as for N. H. State Dredge and Fill Permits.

The Conservation Commission, with approval from the Board of Selectmen, hired a forester to start the long range planning process for the management of forest resources in the Town Forest and all conservation lands. The Town Forest adjacent to Old County Road consisting of 2 tracts of land totaling approximately 40 acres was the first area to be reviewed. The forester prepared a very high level plan with the intent of doing selective cutting to help finance a "pay as you go" method of preparing a detailed management plan. Several site walks were held in the fall to review the high level plan. Thanks to all those who participated and to those who submitted written comments.

As a result of all the comments received, the Conservation Commission along with the forester, agreed to change the approach from a "pay as you go" approach to a more formal approach of completing a detailed management plan for all areas and then deciding which areas to selectively cut. Work on the detailed plan will continue throughout 1997.

The Conservation Commission generally meets at the Town Hall on the 1st Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM. All meetings are open to the public, please stop by. If you would be interested in helping we are still looking for members and alternates.

Respectfully submitted,
Timothy Moore, Chairman,
Plaistow Conservation Commission

Emergency Management Report

1996 found Plaistow needing to prepare itself to face three major storms. The first storm was a late summer hurricane. After many warnings the hurricane bypassed us. We were very lucky that the hurricane did not hit us as many of our residents did not take necessary precautions prior to the hurricane. If it had hit us, a lot of damage would have occurred. Lawn furniture and outside grills were left outside with no protection from the wind. On Sunday night residents put out their trash for Monday pickup. If hurricane winds had hit, many of us would have had neighbor's unsecured items damaging property.

The second storm, in October, was a record breaking rain storm in which many homes had flooding. The last recorded storm of such magnitude was one hundred years ago. Homes, which as a rule do not have any water, found the homeowners looking for sump pumps. The Emergency Management Office was open during this storm.

Storm number three was a December snow storm which changed to ice and rain. Major loss of electric power occurred for most of the residences in Plaistow. Tree damage to power lines was mostly to blame. Homes were without power from twenty-four hours to ninety-six hours. Normal freezing December temperatures were not present. This kept home water and heat pipes from freezing. During this time the Red Cross opened regional shelters, because of the problems in staffing shelters in each of the effected towns. Our local assignment was in Salem, N.H. This storm became a test of our preparedness. In many cases neighbor helped neighbor. Neighbors looked out for elderly and handicapped individuals by making sure their needs were adequately met.

Experience gained from these storms brings home the realization that electricity, and other daily services are disrupted and that they may not, in some cases, be readily reestablished. Rather, we need to acknowledge that inconvenience and possible hardship may be by-products of natural disasters. When storms are forecast, appropriate preparedness is the responsibility of each citizen.

Respectfully submitted,
William T. Scully
Director

Report of the Fire Department

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the officers and firefighters of the Plaistow Fire Department. The residents of Plaistow, as well as those who happen to pass through our town, are

extremely fortunate that such a dedicated and loyal group of individuals have committed themselves to answering their neighbors' call for help. The number of hours each member willfully volunteers can only be appreciated by their family, for every moment given to the Department is a moment not spent with their loved ones. The hours spent in actual response to alarms is only a small portion of the time given by each member. Training, meetings and general equipment maintenance take up so much more time, that it seems many have a second home at the firehouse. The evolving complexities of the fire service requires perpetual training to ensure we are able to respond to the constantly changing hazards that present themselves on a routine basis. Without their dedication and enthusiasm, we could not continue to provide the community with the exceptional level of service that has become a tradition in the Town of Plaistow. In 1996, we responded to 625 alarms, the greatest number of alarms in the history of the Department. Through their dedication, we continue to remain a "CALL" department, even as the residential and business populations expand and place an increased demand for our services. I am sincerely honored and proud to be a part of this very special and talented group. We appreciate your continued support and commit to providing the Town with the finest possible service.

During this past year, we were able to replace the Department's automatic cardiac defibrillator with a state-of-the-art semi-automatic defibrillator/cardiac monitor. This item, costing in excess of \$6,000, was procured at no cost to the town. It was purchased from funds donated to the Firemen's Association Memorial Funds and the Ladies Auxiliary.

As many residents are aware, this was the first full year the state-wide 9-1-1 emergency telephone number was put into effect. We have had much success with this system, providing a definitive address of the caller. As with any new system, there were some minor issues to be addressed at the state level, but we are confident that all calls for service were processed as expeditiously as possible, and it appears the system will continue to improve in the future. The previous emergency telephone number (382-8512) will eventually be phased out of service, but is presently still available in the event of a problem with the 9-1-1 system. 9-1-1, easy to remember, easy to use, **BUT ONLY FOR EMERGENCIES.**

We were fortunate to have had relatively few "major" fires in town this past year. Property loss was relatively minor as compared with previous years. We did start the year off, as many of our neighboring towns did, with a mutual aid call to Methuen. Plaistow provided two trucks to the Malden Mills fire last December. At the same time, with help from Kingston and Newton, we maintained coverage for not only Plaistow, but Atkinson and parts of Haverhill as well. I am proud of the commitment of our members as they continue to represent your town with the highest degree of dedication and professionalism

There are a couple of "standard" issues that have earned an annual mention in this report. The first pertains to the use of smoke detectors. Quoting state and local ordinances is probably the most ineffective method of promoting one of the least expensive life saving devices available to the general public. Study after study indicates SMOKE DETECTORS, WHEN PROPERLY INSTALLED AND MAINTAINED, SAVE LIVES....EVERYDAY! We continue to find where

smoke detectors have been installed which have either been disconnected, removed or contain dead batteries. The risk of serious injury and substantial property loss is increased dramatically whenever one of these detectors is not maintained properly. Please, for your own well-being and that of your family, install and maintain smoke detectors in your home. In addition to smoke detectors, the use of carbon monoxide detectors is on the rise. If you have a CO detector installed, remember to maintain it per the manufacturer's instructions. Take a few moments to read the literature that was supplied with the unit so you know what to do if it alarms. Remember, although carbon monoxide is odorless, colorless and tasteless, it is DEADLY. Make sure your heating system (oil, wood or gas), gas hot water heater and/or gas dryer are operating properly and maintained by qualified technicians. In these instances, "an ounce of prevention" can avert a tragedy.

Another issue deals with clearly identifying your residence. There have been several occasions where precious moments were wasted during the response effort when we could not find the location of the call. The importance of VISIBLE numbers, that contrast with their background (i.e. white reflective numerals on a black background) cannot be stressed enough. The next time you drive down an unfamiliar street, see how many house numbers you can easily locate and identify, only then will you realize the importance of ensuring your house is clearly identified. Help us BEFORE you need our help, install visible, contrasting house numbers where they can be seen, preferably beside the front door. If in doubt or have any question, call the Fire Department non-emergency number (382-5012). If you have already done this THANK YOU, then survey your neighbor's numbers and suggest they do the same, as we will use their house to target your location.

GENERAL ALARM SUMMARY - 1996

Automobile Fires	14	Odor Investigations	8
Boiler/Heating Appliance problems	10	Other (various non-specific categories)	49
Carbon Monoxide Alarms	11	Rescue Calls	233
Fire Alarm Activations	70	Rescue Squad Only	103
Hazardous Materials Spills	10	Smoke Investigations	4
Motor Vehicle Accidents	94	Structure Fires	7
Mutual Aid	8	Wood/Grass/Brush	4
Total			625

Respectfully submitted,
Donald Petzold, Chief
Plaistow Fire Department

Report of the Health Department

The Health Department has been involved in a variety of inspections and activities this year. The Department serves this community in numerous ways.

The primary responsibility of the Department is to inspect Plaistow's food establishments for compliance with local and state food codes. Some items checked for at inspections are; Time/Temperature controls; Personnel Hygiene; Cleanliness and Sanitation; Food Protection; and maintenance of the food establishments. As establishments are inspected, they are instructed regarding proper food handling procedure. As a result, over the past years, there has been a general trend for these businesses to achieve higher rating scores as they reach compliance. It has been a pleasure to serve and work with these establishments.

The actual number of restaurants for 1996 is 81, with an expected income of \$7,522. The forecast for 1997 is 82 establishments with a projected income of \$ 8,425. Expected income from 1996 Follow-ups is \$ 707. Forecast for 1997 is \$618.

The Department continues to monitor water quality at all Town buildings. Sampling can be done for residential wells as well. Kits are available at the Town Health Department for residents to sample their own wells.

Day Cares continue to be inspected every three (3) years along with State's inspections. In the Spring of 1996, the Selectmen approved that a fee of \$ 25.00 be charged per Town inspection.

Complaints have seen an increase. This year we have answered thirty-four (34) complaints, consisting of: water quality (8); septic systems (5); Insects/Rodents (4); Head Lice (1); Day Care (2); Food Complaints/Illness (7); Rental Properties (3); Unsanitary Conditions (2); and Hazardous Waste (2).

New Police and Fire Personnel continue to be vaccinated against Hepatitis B. Our two Animal Control Officers are currently vaccinated for pre-exposure to Rabies.

As Health Officer, I continue to attend bimonthly meetings with other New Hampshire Health Officer's to discuss problems and share solutions. This is extremely helpful in understanding our Town's needs and how other towns may have already solved similar issues.

This year I have attended the following courses and seminars:

- 1) FDA seminar on "Labeling Laws";
- 2) FDA Seminar on " Food Protection and Safety";
- 3) Rockingham county Workshop on the new Sewage/Sludge Laws;
- 4) N.H. Health Risk assessment workshop on Effective Communication;

5) Spring and Fall, N.H. Health Officer's Conferences.

Lastly, I have applied for and received a grant from the Governor's Office to conduct a Food Safety Seminar for Plaistow and surrounding communities. The grant runs from January 31, 1997 to June 30, 1997. The "Serve Safe" program of the National Restaurant Association (NRA) shall be taught. Those that complete this course shall be certified by the NRA in 95% of our nations jurisdictions. All fees for the course will be funded by this grant. The amount of the grant awarded to the Town of Plaistow is \$3,879.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ellen Tufts, H.O.

Report of the Highway Department

The members of the Highway Department are Ken Crowell, Supervisor, Dan Garlington, Foreman, Mario Mejia laborer and Glen Peabody, laborer. I would like to take this opportunity to thank my men for a job well done.

We really need to recognize our private contractors and the residents of Plaistow for helping clean tops of basins and edges of roadways for water run-off and removing trees and debris from the roadways. This was a big help and I really appreciate it.

I am sorry that we had to close the landfill but it was impassable due to mud. There is a liner under the roadway and if it is damaged it will cost a considerable amount to repair. A list of the dates for the landfill to be open in 1997 is included in the Town Report.

I thank you for the purchase of our 1996 F:350 Ford 1 ton dump truck.

I will be having one warrant article for a dome salt shed because our salt shed is in such poor condition. Salt run-off has started and it is only a matter of time before E.P.A. will step in to force us to comply with their regulations. Please support this article. It is in the C.I.P.

We had a busy year with major reconstruction of Crane Crossing Road and prepping roads for line striping. There has been plenty of brush cutting but cold patch is down because our Town roads are getting better each year. We have had a productive year and we will continue to strive forward.

Respectfully submitted,
Ken Crowell, Highway Supervisor

Report of the Highway Safety Committee

During 1996, the Committee met monthly to consider a variety of plans and issues prior to Planning Board meetings. Additionally, we completed the reconstruction of the sidewalk on Park Avenue, a much-needed facelift to the area.

As this report is being drafted, the Committee is preparing a 1997 Warrant Article for the widening of Route 121A (Main Street) from the railroad tracks to Ingalls Terrace by Federal Grant. The Grant, state-approved three years ago, is for \$75,000. with the Town needing to raise a match of \$15,000. This project, when completed, will provide at least a four foot bike path/pedestrian way on both sides of Main Street, thereby improving safety to users, especially children in the summer.

As a Town, we must aggressively continue to support sidewalk projects that make sense and to provide safety advice to the Planning Board as needed.

"Scorn mediocrity. Embrace Excellence."- H. Jackson Brown, Jr.

Respectfully submitted:

Chief of Police Stephen C. Savage, (Chairman)

Merilyn Senter, (Vice Chairman)

Donald Petzold, (Fire Chief)

Kenneth Crowell, (Highway Supervisor)

Mary Collins, (Board of Selectmen)

Ronald Charette, (Planning Board)

Leigh Komornick, (Rockingham Planning Commission Advisor)

Jill Senter, (Conservation Commission)

Kathleen Giragosian, (Citizen Representative)

Report of the Librarian

I am pleased to report that 1996 was a very productive year for the Plaistow Public Library. Once again, there was a significant increase in library usage. The month of July, alone, broke all previous records, both in circulation and patron visits. This upward trend in usage has been apparent for several years and it is rewarding to realize that the library continues to successfully serve the citizens of Plaistow. We have seen many new faces, on a daily basis, this past year. We welcome all newcomers, as well as treasure our loyal, "long time visitors."

To expand our capabilities and to reach even more residents, we have evaluated our services and are making a serious effort to augment our reference section. We have added several new CD- ROM reference products in 1996, including a version of "Books in Print", "NewsBank", "Encyclopedia Americana", and "Current Biography". We also have encouraged patrons to take advantage of "Article Express" when using periodicals for research projects. "Article Express" is a document

delivery service provided by the State Library. Through the use of this service and a fax machine, it is possible to retrieve articles from 450 periodicals at no cost to the patron.

We also have continued to add to our general collection with the purchase of 1,311 new materials, both fiction and nonfiction. We have begun to offer compact disks, on a limited basis, and if the demand is high will continue to add to the collection. A considerable number of video and audio cassettes have also been purchased this past year. The audio cassette collection has been well used by commuters and the popular family videos are always in demand.

Programming for children was a priority again in 1996. The theme for the summer reading program, "Reading, The Best Game Around", was tied in with the Summer Olympics and allowed children to become a "citizen" of a country and read for a gold medal. It was an extremely successful program and responsible for our tremendous summer circulation count! Five hundred and seventy-nine children participated in twenty-one events during the summer. One of the most popular programs was a "bike rodeo." Thank you to Officer Ranlett from the Plaistow Police Department and Jim Billcliff from Cycle City for providing instruction and a safety inspection of each child's bike.

During the year children were invited to participate in a sports challenge, voting for the Great Stone Face Award, school vacation drop-in crafts and various book drawings, as well as, weekly visits from Pollard School classes and preschool story time. The library also offered a coffee time for adults wishing to spend an hour or so enjoying a cup of coffee and browsing through the collection without children in tow.

The library staff has, as usual, brought tremendous effort, ability and enthusiasm to the job. I would like to thank Jennie LeBlanc, Marjorie Knowles, Florence Rullo, Sharon Spires, Martha Dickerson, Richard Najuch, Jacquelyn Hanson, Brian Stack and Charles Wicks for all their contributions this past year.

Thank you, also, to the Board of Trustees for their continued support. I have enjoyed working with the Board and appreciate the considerable amount of time and effort necessary to do their job.

The library has had many wonderful advocates this past year. I would like to thank all who gave financial contributions, gifts of books and periodicals and volunteered hours to the library. Their support is invaluable. Also, thank you to all who offered kind words of encouragement and praise to all of us who work at the library. It is always great to have a pat on the back!

The Plaistow Public Library will celebrate its 100th birthday in 1997. On January 2, 1897, the library officially opened to the public with a core collection of 267 books. The library was open one day a week and the budget for the first year of operation was \$114.48! Continued community support for the library has been evident throughout the tremendous changes during the past 100 years. The library outgrew its home in the Town Hall and through public efforts moved to its present location. Plans are now being made for further expansion. I would like to thank the current Board

of Trustees for their visionary endeavors, which will bring the library into the next century, well equipped to meet the expanding needs of the citizens of Plaistow.

It has been a great pleasure serving the community as Library Director this past year. I look forward to the challenges of 1997.

Respectfully submitted,
Laurie Houlihan
Director

Report of the Parks and Recreation Department

The Parks and Recreation Department once again saw tremendous growth in all aspects of programming. We continue to struggle to meet the community needs for recreation and are always interested in your feedback.

Some new and exciting things that happened in 1996 included the expansion of our Little League program to include the towns of Kingston, East Kingston and Newton. The larger league was a great success this year and we look forward to next year! Our congratulations to Coaches Dennis Heffernan, Lenny Connolly, Bill Crowell and their team for bringing home to Plaistow the 1996 Rockingham Little League Championship. Congratulation to our 1996 Summer Little League A Team who brought home the Championship in the Merrimack Little League Tournament held in Merrimack Ma. Congratulations to Coaches Sue Sherman, John Sherman, Brian Cobb and their 16 and Under Softball Team for winning the 1996 U-16 N. H. State Softball title in their division. They also had an outstanding showing in the Regional Tournament, a first for a Plaistow team! Our compliments to all of the Adults who volunteer their time throughout our spring and summer baseball/softball seasons. We rely on your continued support of the children in our community, on their behalf we thank you.

My personal thanks to Carlene Sarty, Sue Sherman, Dennis Heffernan and Susan Connolly for all your help and hard work to keep our programs going through my absence. With the help of these individuals our spring and summer programming was a great success.

The Parks and Recreation Department would like to publically acknowledge the work of the Plaistow Lion's Club at Smith Field. Over the summer they installed a full electrical service including outlets and lights in the recreation storage shed, and a pull down stair case to access the above storage area. We will now be looking for refrigerators or stoves in good working condition to be installed in the storage shed. These appliances will help to expand our offerings to the summer program and allow us to run a concession during baseball/softball games. We are greatly appreciative of this new equipment and again our thanks to the Plaistow Lion's Club.

In the coming year the Recreation Department looks forward to continued expansion. We are actively seeking a new location for a large recreational and athletic facility for the Town of Plaistow.

Presently plans are being developed to expand the number of playing fields available for our programs. Please feel free to contact the Parks and Recreation Office for further information.

1997 will be a very busy year for the Parks and Recreation Department. A new Director should be in place soon and there are some major projects that are in the planning stages. During this transition we hope that more people from the Plaistow community will come forward and offer their assistance with these projects. If we are to grow and continue to offer expanded programming we will need the assistance of the town. If you would like to become involved in the Recreation Department please call us at 382-5200.

Lastly I would like to thank everyone who at one time or another has offered their assistance, ideas, and time to the Recreation Department during my time as Recreation Director. Due to growing family obligations I have resigned my position. I have enjoyed working with the community and hope to still be involved in a volunteer capacity as I believe recreation is a vital part of a healthy community.

Respectfully submitted,
Dianne A. Nye
Director, Parks & Recreation

Report of the Plaistow Area Transit Advisory Committee ---

The Plaistow Area Transit Advisory Committee (PATAC) was formed with volunteers from N. H. Towns that neighbor Plaistow and do not receive any funding from any local, state, or federal agency. This year our 5th annual "Christmas Tour of Boston" was held as scheduled and was enjoyed by all who attended.

The Route 125 Commuter Bus Service to Boston which began on January 31, 1994, has continued to prosper with increasing ridership. The service has 3 N. H. stops and then is express into Boston with stops at Haymarket, Government Center, Park Street, St. James, and Copley Square. The 1st stop is at the Epping Park and Ride lot, the 2nd N. H. stop is at Carriage Town Plaza in Kingston and the 3rd stop is the Park and Ride lot in Plaistow on Westville Road next to Freedom Tire.

The NHDOT has almost completed the Plaistow Park and Ride and we look forward to a grand opening as soon as construction can start up again in the spring of 1997. It will include a paved lot for approximately 250 cars as well as designed areas for bus stops. The lot will be lighted and there will be shelters and bicycle racks. We continue to work towards expanding the MBTA commuter train service to the Plaistow Park and Ride lot, but progress continues to be very slow. With the elections now over and new personnel in the vital transportation areas both in Massachusetts and

New Hampshire it looks as though 1997 could be a "breakthrough" year.

PATAC meetings are on the last Tuesday of every month from 7:00 to 9:00 PM at the Vic Geary Center in Plaistow (next to the Timberlane Regional High School). Please stop by, all meetings are open to the public.

Respectfully submitted,
Timothy E. Moore, Chairman, Plaistow

Report of the Planning Board & Capital Improvement Program

With the 1996 Town Election two new members, John Lamb and Thomas Underwood were elected for a one year term and Tim Moore was re-elected for a three year term. The Board extends their appreciation for the years of hard work and commitment to Michael Emmons and Peter Richards. The Board also welcomes Kate Reusch as the minute taker.

The first Technical Review Committee was established with the assistance of Leigh Komornick and Glenn Greenwood from the Rockingham Planning Commission. The Board approved the Route 125 Corridor Study/Impact Fee prepared by Vanasse & Associates. Site plan reviews included an extensive review and denial of the proposed John and Brenda Galloway Asphalt Batch Plant located in Kingston and Plaistow and approvals for improvements to existing sites. Some of the plans reviewed included building expansions or new buildings.

Bodies by Borges, Main Street	4,500 sq. ft.
Al Hoyt & Sons, Plaistow Road	14,012 sq. ft. (industrial)
Pentucket Plaza, Plaistow Road	4,800 sq. ft.
New England Reptile, Inc.	10,000 sq. ft.
U.S.A. Storage, Inc.	9,600 sq. ft.
Northland Properties, Inc./Market Basket	4,150 sq. ft.

The Planning Board has proposals to amend the Zoning Ordinance which address a Cemetery/Burial Site and Mausoleum Ordinance, Impact Fee Assessment Ordinance, amendments to Establishment of District and District Regulations (Commercial II), rezoning of North Main Street and Main Street, an amendment to General Provisions for Vehicular, Trailer and Recreational Vehicle Sales, and an amendment to the Floodplain Development Ordinance.

There is also a proposal to adopt the updated Building Codes.

The Board received two citizens' petitions. These petitions include rezoning the Cash/Beede Waste Oil site and the other to rezone an area from Commercial I to Medium Density Residential.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

The members of the CIP committee were:

Michael Emmons - Chairman (Budget Committee)
Robert J. Gray (Planning Board)
John Lamb (Planning Board)
Henry Szmyt (Budget Committee)
Bernadine Fitzgerald (Budget Committee)
Mary Collins (Selectman)
Merilyn Senter (Selectman)
Robert Belmore (Town Manager)
Ann Sharpe (Planning Board Admin Assistant)

The plan was updated for 1997 by the Committee and presented to the Board of Selectmen, Budget Committee and finally, the Planning Board for their approval. Please note that the CIP in its entirety is located in the Financial Statements & Statistics section of this report on pages 36-38.

Respectfully submitted,
Timothy E. Moore, Chairman
Lawrence W. Gil, Selectman's Representative
Robert J. Gray
Ronald Charette
Thomas Underwood
John Lamb
James Silva
Hal Lewis, Alternate
Ann Sharpe, Administrative Assistant

Report of the Police Department

The 1996 Annual Report, as in past years, should be viewed by readers as an historical perspective of the Department, especially when taken in context with immediately previous Reports.

During 1996, our Training Division, under the direction of Detective Glenn Miller and Officer Thomas Hawthorne, provided 1807 training hours to 21 full and part-time police officers and 168 training hours to 8 full and part-time dispatchers. This training also included night and day firearms qualifications at our Training Area. The training courses taken were:

Traffic Stop Procedures	Bank Robberies
Juvenile Law	Community Policing Concepts
Domestic Violence	Knife Defense
Stress in Law Enforcement	Asian Gang Conference
Computer Crimetrack Software	Management Training
Firearms Instructor Recertification	Field Training Officer

Basic Police Academy (Full-time)
Terminal Ballistics & Ammunition
Breath Test Operator
Background Investigation
Collection/Preservation of Evidence
On-Scene Crash Investigation
Basic Police Academy (Part-time)
Administration Current Concept
Police Mountain Bike Patrol
Managing Marginal Employees
Advanced Police Interviews
Narcotic Detection Dog

Intoxilyzer Recertification
PR-24
Personnel Evaluations
Computer Crime
DARE Conference
Anti-Harassment Workshop
Supervision
Survival Spanish
Composite Drawing
Extradition
K-9 Legal Issues

During 1996, our K-9 team, consisting of Officer Alec Porter and Rajah, patrolled the Town on the midnight shift. The team, trained in narcotics detection and individual tracking, conducted 11 tracks and made 5 apprehensions and conducted 9 searches for narcotics with 5 arrests. Because of Officer Porter's position with the United States Police K-9 Association, he was invited to Atlanta for the Olympic Games to provide security on a multi-national Bomb Dog Team, an honor indeed. Also during the year, a K-9 Obstacle Course project was begun at the Training Area in order to provide for regional participation by State and local K-9 teams. This team represents a strong component of police-community relations in Plaistow.

Also, during 1996, our first full-year of teaching seventh grade DARE by Sergeant Kathleen Jones was realized in concert with an already established fifth grade DARE class taught by Detective Glenn Miller. A long-term goal of the Department has been to eventually provide DARE to each fifth grade in the Timberlane Regional School District and to the seventh grade, thus, creating a "Timberlane District DARE Task Force." To date, Sandown is the only remaining community not providing fifth grade DARE. In 1996, our Special Investigations Unit consisting of Sergeant Kathleen Jones and Detective Glenn Miller conducted 104 long-term, lengthy investigations ranging from Theft to Burglary to Sexual Assault with 47 criminal arrests. Additionally, they conducted 27 narcotic intelligence investigations with four arrests and sixteen criminal intelligence investigations with three arrests. These cases were made possible because we expanded the unit by adding a detective through grant support of an entry-level officer position.

During 1996, our volunteer Victim-Witness Advocate, Vanessa Underwood, interacted with victims in 100 cases with 52 personal contacts over 400 hours. The cases included Shoplifting, Assault, Domestic, to Criminal Threatening. We applied to the State for a Violence Against Women grant (for 1997) for this position and received permission for the grant which appears as a 1997 Warrant Article. We are all extremely pleased with the part-time position funding because victim support by a police department is critical and often overlooked.

In 1996, through a Warrant Article, we purchased Automated Booking, E-Mail, Evidence Bar-coding, and Bulletin Board computer software which was partially offset by Federal grant

reimbursement. The purchase of four (4) laptops for cruisers was placed on hold until 1997. Our Department software acquisition plan is winding down with, in all probability, two more small segments to be purchased in 1997 and 1998.

In 1996, our three-year Highway Safety grant (50/50 sharing) for the Department motorcycle ended with some startling three-year figures. Over 1994, 1995, and 1996, Officers Ranlett and Caggiano conducted 738 Motor Vehicle Stops, issued 218 Warnings, issued 90 Speed Citations, investigated 40 accidents, issued 430 other Citations, and made 23 Arrests. The annual lease, shared equally over the grant period, annually averaged \$2,900. In 1997, we plan on budgeting the amount entirely since the program has been so effective over the years and one valuable cornerstone to our Community Policing endeavor.

To any internal visitor to our "digs," it will be readily apparent that our custodian, John Arahovites, is more than a mere broom pusher. His attention to detail and jack-of-all-trades ability has made the Department absolutely sparkle.

In late 1996, our School Crossing Guard, AKA the "Pollard Terror," Ruth Jillson, split her responsibilities at Pollard School with the Middle School due to concern for traffic congestion in that area. This marks the first time that Timberlane Regional Middle School required a Crossing Guard.

Each year, the Plaistow Police Association raises money locally to fund special equipment and projects inside the Department. They additionally supported a school district scholarship program, Chemical-Free Post Prom Party, Timberlane Youth Soccer League, Plaistow Recreation Program, DARE Police Explorer Post, New Hampshire Special Olympics, 1996 Summer Olympics, Bereavement Pledges, to name a few. Members of the Association wish to thank all parties for their kindness and generosity over the years. Because they work hard to maintain positive relationships year round, the Association has decided to seek other methods of fund raising that do not involve telemarketing. During the year, they donated \$6,500. to outside organizations and spent \$8,000. inside the Department.

Our Communications Center, serving both Plaistow and Atkinson, handled 9,505 Calls For Service for the Police Department and 729 Calls for Service for the Fire Department. They received 15,631 Telephone Calls and 860 Telephone Calls respectively. For the Town of Atkinson, the Center handled 3,094 Calls for Service for the Police Department and 389 Calls For Service for the Fire Department. They received 1,146 Telephone Calls for the Police Department and 359 Telephone Calls for the Fire Department.

The Communications Center is staffed by a loyal, professional group of men and women who work in an environment often described as chaotic. For the past several months, the Unit has been competently led by Acting Communications Supervisor Cherie Chevalier in the absence of Communications Supervisor Lucia Cusimano (maternity leave).

Our Support Staff, consisting of Executive Secretary Eileen Shields and Secretary Nancy

Hetherington has provided exemplary, steady service to the Department and Town and is a stabilizing influence in a hectic, fast-paced office.

During 1996, we attempted throughout the year to get a handle on Overtime expenses and to control Part-time Officer/Dispatcher expenses. This was accomplished under the capable eye of Sergeant James DeOrio, our Scheduling Officer. Our overall expenditures were below the Appropriation in spite of a significant Contracted Police (Details) over-run.

In 1996, our Operations/Patrol Division handled a 37% increase in Calls For Service over 1995 while staffing remains the same. Our Burglary rate rose 30%, Thefts dropped 2% and Auto Theft dropped 15%. Our DWI arrests dropped 15% as well as Assaults by 14%. Criminal Mischief dropped by 19% and Alarms increased by 9%. Our Reported Accidents rose by 8% which is not shocking considering the density of our population. Overall (contested) Court Cases dropped 27% while Adult Arrests rose by 6% and Juvenile Arrests 33%. Traffic Citations decreased 47% during the year. Of particular concern to all of us are the large increases in Calls For Service, Burglary, Accidents, and Juvenile Arrests while staffing remains static. The Department will continue to closely monitor these statistics as well as the residential growth rate.

In 1996, the Department aggressively pursued additional grant funding for technology and a part-time Victim Witness Advocate in 1997, which resulted in both grant awards. We remain committed to applying for sensible grants that "fit" with our Community Policing model. The men and women in the Police Department know and appreciate the support shown by the community each and every passing year. In turn, we pledge to you a continued commitment to excellence and innovation, and loyalty to community.

"Nothing is changed by a mediocre performance." - Confucius
"Courage is grace under pressure."-Ernest Hemingway

Respectfully submitted,
Stephen C. Savage
Chief of Police

Report of the Tree Warden

1996 was the year of the storms for the Tree Department. We have never had so many damaging storms during the time I have been Tree Warden, since the early 1980's.

It started with a storm in January when a top of a large Pine tree on Sweethill Road came crashing down on the road. On April 8th we had a late snow storm with trees and limbs down on Forest Street, Sequioa Lane, Spinney Avenue, and North Avenue. In July we encountered Tropical Storm Bertha which brought down a tree on Forest Street and many other branches and limbs throughout town. There were also many hangers that needed to be removed later on Cifre Lane, Sweethill Road, Kingston Road and Old County Road. In August we again had a brush with two more hurricanes--Eduardo and Fran, but they did hardly any damage. On September 18th we had a heavy rain storm

and trees and limbs again came down on Westville Road, Congressional Avenue, Main Street and Harriman Road. On October 20th we again had a heavy rain and wind storm. Trees knocked out power on Main Street, Harriman Road and Old County Road. There was also a large Maple that fell on Forest Street, a large Maple came down and crushed a mailbox on Old County Road and a large Willow came down and totally blocked Route 108. The worst series of storms by far came on December 6, 7 and 8th. We had heavy snow, ice and rain. These storms knocked out power for as much as 5 days in some areas of town. There were trees down everywhere, much too many to list and I am still getting calls about hangers. I feel that this last storm was so severe that we will be feeling the effects of the trees being weakened for about two to three years, especially in the spring time when the trees grow leaves and we get any wind or rain storms. We will continue to have trees down that are in this weakened condition, as disease and insects will be able to take their toll, as well as the weather.

I also had a large tree branch downed by a truck on Pollard Road in January. There were two large Maples on Town Hall Green that were taken down in March to make way for new parking and sidewalks. I planted three Sugar Maples in Davis Park in June.

I have been Tree Warden in town since 1981 and it has become time for me to resign this position. So as of February 1st I have handed in my resignation. I would like to thank everyone for their help over the years. The residents who have come out to help me clean up during and after a storm, the Police, Fire and Highway Departments for all their assistance over the years. I have acquired a good deal of knowledge about the care of trees and I hope that I have shared that with people. If I can be of any help answering questions about trees I'd still be glad to share any of the knowledge I may have, so give me a call.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Collins

Report of the Water Department

This was an unusual year for the Water Department. In February, the Selectmen received my notice of resignation and began the process of filling the position of Water Superintendent. This position was conditionally filled in October and through the interim, all the projects planned for 1996 year were completed.

The major undertakings for the year included testing the fire pumps, inspecting the 1,000,000 gallon reservoir and replacement of the Process Engineering Pumphouse System motor controller. The systems' three pumps were tested and were found to be within specification. At one point the Town was considering draining the reservoir in order to perform a detailed inspection of the liner. This was not necessary as I was able to secure the services of two divers to perform this inspection, at no cost to the Town. The results indicate it is much cleaner than anticipated and should not need significant attention for the next several years. A new motor controller, replacing an outdated model, was installed in the Process pump house. This

installation was completed in late December and should provide years of reliable service. The unit which had been in place had served its intended purpose and spare parts were becoming difficult to obtain. The Town is in the process of installing a new alarm system at the Maple Avenue pump house. This system is better suited to the needs of a remote station and should prove to be beneficial to the monitoring of that system.

We were very fortunate with the budget this year. The payroll for maintenance activities at the Process pump house was under \$150.00. The payroll for maintenance activities at the Maple Avenue pump house was under \$675.00. These activities combined for a total department payroll of under \$800.00, down considerably from previous years. The 1997 budget request is reduced from the 1996 appropriation by approximately \$5,000. This line item would have been less, but the Town is considering awarding a continuing engineering service contract to oversee and consult on issues related to the Water System. This service is indicated as "Engineering" in this year's budget and is anticipated to be approximately \$3,000. The apparent need for this service was determined during the process for filling the Water Superintendent vacancy. In addition, the Town sought input from several outside water companies for proposals on managing this system. We received a detailed engineering review and analysis of the system, which looked favorably on the manner in which the system has been managed and expanded since its inception.

The one dim aspect of 1996 came in February. There was apparent confusion regarding the separation of my duties as both Fire Chief and Water Superintendent, two very separate and distinct municipal functions. I found it necessary to resign from the position of Water Superintendent, to prevent unnecessary controversy from effecting the operation of the Fire Department. I had been your Water Superintendent for approximately fourteen years, all of which were uncompensated from a monetary standpoint. I was compensated with the satisfaction of developing and managing a system to meet the increasing needs of the Town over that time span. A period that saw the Town grow significantly. We implemented improvements in the system as opportunities presented themselves, we designed the system with a forward looking approach for future expansion along the major routes and hopefully have provided a significant return for minimal investment. Following my resignation and as the search for the new Water Superintendent was conducted, I continued to perform routine weekly maintenance on the system and assisted with formulating next year's budget.

At the direction of our Town Manager I have prepared and respectfully submit my final report for the Water Department. I would like to thank those who have assisted and supported me in this position, and to thank the citizens for having the confidence and trust in me during my tenure in this position.

Respectfully submitted,
Donald Petzold

Report of the Water Department

I was appointed the town Water Superintendent in October of 1996 and since then have been busy with the Water Line. I worked with the plumbers and electricians to get the new controller at Process Pumphouse on line which we did in December of 1996.

There are things that must be done in 1997 on the Water Line and with help they will be done on time. The Towns Water Line is very important for protection in case of fire and needs close observation each week.

I am asking that the departments work with me and invite any resident that would like to see the Water Line Pumphouse to give me a call about this so I can set up a time for the visit,

Respectfully submitted
Donald Sargent

Report of the Welfare Department

The Welfare Department continued to provide a variety of services throughout the past twelve months. There were over 40 requests for General Assistance this year, each for varying lengths of time. Yet, of those requests, 19 were denied, due to ineligibility. Twenty-five of those requests were first time applications.

The Town also continues to provide a number of Human Services to it's residents, from transportation to youth services. A total list of those services is printed under the Human Services Budget. Any resident who has any questions on these services, should call the Welfare Office, for more information.

The Clothing Basement remains in full operation during the Welfare Departments office hours. I am grateful to those wonderful volunteers who come consistently to help keep things neat and organized. It continues to be a very busy place, with donations coming in regularly, and many items finding new homes. I encourage all residents to consider the Basement when cleaning out their closets, or when they find they are in need of some "good used, hand-me-downs".

Many thanks go out to the local organizations that continually support those families in need during the holiday seasons, and throughout the year. They include the Plaistow Lion's Club, the St. Jude's Knights of Columbus Council and the People Helping People group, the Plaistow Fish and Game Club, the American Legion, and the Plaistow Wal-Mart Store. The support and assistance that these organizations provide to the residents of Plaistow is greatly appreciated.

The welfare Department remained very busy, in 1996, providing a variety of services and

information to it's residents. My goal for the new year is to remain accessible and to strive and meet the needs of all Plaistow residents.

Respectfully submitted,
Carrie Chooljian
Welfare Director and Human Services Liaison

Report of the Zoning Board of Adjustment

Of major concern is our quest for alternatives. We need to fill our alternate list since this helps to familiarize new members with the procedures of the Board and we have present members who wish to retire. Call the Town Hall for further information and we will be in contact with you.

This Board meets on the last Thursday of each month to handle requests for special exceptions, variances and appeals from administrative decisions concerning the town's zoning ordinances.

Cases for this year totaled 52 which was well above our estimate. However, our expenses are covered by our permit fee of \$65 and the postage fee is \$3.50 per abutter. There were requests for 28 special exceptions, 21 variances, 1 appeal from administrative decision and 2 requests for rehearings.

Respectfully submitted,
Lawrence W. Ordway, Chairman
Barbara Burri, Vice Chairman
Joyce Wright, Clerk
Donald Wood
Emile Langlois

Alternates
Norman L. Major
Darrell Britton, Jr.

Administrative Assistant
Ruth E. Palmer

REPORT OF THE COMMON TRUST FUND OF THE TOWN OF PLAISTOW														ON DECEMBER 31, 1996			
NO. OF SHARES OR OTHER UNITS	HOW INVESTED																
		PRINCIPAL				INCOME				EXPENSES							
		BALANCE BEGINNING YEAR	ADDITIONS PURCHASES	CASH CAPITAL GAINS	ROCEEDS FROM SALES	LOSSES FROM SALES	BALANCE ENDING YEAR	INCOME DURING YEAR	EXPENSES DURING YEAR	BALANCE ENDING YEAR	PRINCIPAL END OF YEAR	INCOME END OF YEAR	EXPENSES END OF YEAR				
COMMON TRUST FUND #1																	
CEMETERY FUNDS																	
PLAISTOW CEMETERY		44249.70	875.00				45124.70	17992.32	6594.59	17992.32							
HOLY ANGELS CEMETERY		8775.00	0.00				8775.00	0.00	917.01	917.01							
NORTH PARISH CEMETERY		5300.00	0.00				5300.00	0.00	540.07	540.07							
TOTAL FOR COMMON TRUST # 1		58324.70	875.00				59199.70	17992.32	8065.17	17992.32							
CONSERVATION TRUST FUNDS		6000.00					6000.00	7912.12	513.51	8425.63							
CURRENT TRUST TOTALS		64324.70	875.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	65199.70	25904.44	8578.68	26417.95							
NOTE:	THIS IS A PRELIMINARY REPORT AND NOT AUDITED																

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen and Town Manager
Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire, as of and for the year ended December 31, 1995, as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As more fully described in Note 1, the general purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the financial statements of the General Fixed Asset Account Group, which should be included in order to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. The amount that should be recorded in the General Fixed Asset Account Group is not known.

As described in Note 1, the Town has recognized tax revenues of \$985,608 in its General Fund which were not received in cash within sixty days of year end as required by generally accepted accounting principles (GASB Interpretation 3). Town officials believe, and we concur, that the application of this accounting principle, which would result in a decrease in the undesignated General Fund balance from \$415,837 to (\$569,771) would give a misleading impression of the Town's ability to meet its current and future obligations.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the general purpose financial statements of the omission described in the third paragraph, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire as of December 31, 1995 and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its non-expendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The combining financial statements and schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

Wachon, Clukay & Co., PC

September 24, 1996

WARRANT *FOR* TOWN MEETING

SATURDAY, MARCH 15, 1997

TOWN OF PLAISTOW, NH

******RESIDENT NOTICE******

Town meeting and voting has changed in Plaistow. Last year the Official Ballot Law (SB2) was adopted. This law allows for public discussion of warrant articles followed by voting in the privacy of the voting booth.

On Saturday, March 15, at 10:00 AM in the Timberlane High School gym you, the voter, will have your **ONLY** opportunity to have your voice heard before everyone votes on April 8.

March 15 is the "First Session" of town meeting and it is at this meeting you have the ability to amend what goes on the April 8 ballot. The budget and final wording of the warrant will be decided at the First Session. There are **NO CHANGES** allowed to either the budget or the warrant articles after March 15.

Make sure you do not miss out on your chance to make a difference!

**BE THERE MARCH 15
10:00 AM T. R. H. S. GYM**

Plaistow Board of Selectmen



**PLEASE BRING THIS WARRANT TO
FIRST SESSION OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

Meeting will explain, discuss, and
debate each warrant article and determine
form of questions on ballot, except those
articles where wording is prescribed by law.

*These Articles are subject to change only at
the first session. Final ballot voting will
take place on all these Articles in their final
form at the second session.*

*Information on any changes will be
available by contacting the Selectmen's
Office after the first session.*

First Session of Annual Town Meeting
Saturday, March 15, 1997
10:00 AM at TRSD High School Gym

**PUBLIC HEARING ON THE RESULTS
OF THE FIRST SESSION**

Informational Meeting - no changes or voting

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Monday, March 24, 1997
7:00 PM - Town Hall

*It is anticipated that a revised warrant, or
final sample ballot on the warrant questions will be
available at this meeting.*

**SECOND SESSION OF
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**
Final Ballot Voting

Tuesday, April 8, 1997
Sawyer's Banquet Hall
182 Plaistow Road (Rte 125)
8:00 AM - 8:00 PM

PLAISTOW TOWN WARRANT
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Plaistow, New Hampshire, in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet for the second session of the annual town meeting at Sawyer's Banquet Hall, 182 Plaistow Road (Rte 125), in said Plaistow on Tuesday, the Eighth of April, next, at 8:00 o'clock in the forenoon until 8:00 o'clock in the afternoon to elect officers and to act on the following articles by official ballot voting.

FURTHER,

You are hereby notified to meet for the first session of the annual town meeting at the Timberlane Regional High School in said Plaistow on Saturday, the Fifteenth of March, next, at 10:00 AM in the forenoon to explain, discuss, and debate each warrant article and to determine form of questions on ballot, except those warrant articles where wording is prescribed by law. The final voting on all articles will take place by official ballot at the second session.

Article 1. To elect all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 2. Shall the town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$3,235,597 ? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$ 3,269,325 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the town, or by law, or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

Article 3. Shall the town vote to accept the New Hampshire Department of Transportation Highway Block Grant in the amount of \$ 102,875 for maintenance, construction and reconstruction of Class IV and V roads in accordance with Chapter 235 of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated and appropriate said sum for local highway maintenance.

(Recommended by Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

(Recommended by CIP Committee)

Article 4. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 55,000 for the construction of a new salt shed that will hold approximately 640 tons of minerals, predominantly salt, at the highway department site off Old County Road. (Recommended by Board of Selectmen)

(Recommended by CIP Committee) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article 5. Shall the town vote to retain and hold for public use pursuant to RSA 80:80,V, to include recreational purposes, the 25.5 acre parcel of real estate property off Old County Road (Tax Map 30, Block 1, Lot 1) acquired by the town by tax collector deed.

Article 6. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 15,000 for the purchase of new playground equipment to be placed at the Smith Field town Parks and Recreation site. Fifty percent

of the cost, or \$7,500 will be reimbursed through fund raising donations raised by the Friends of the Recreation. (Recommended by Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by CIP Committee)
(Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article 7. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 31,752 which represents the salary, fringe benefits, uniforms, and equipment for an additional full time police officer position beginning January 1, 1997, as continued annual funding (three year, 75% - 25% grant position) of a Federal Police Hiring Supplemental Grant of which \$23,439 is reimbursable under the COPS FAST Federal Grant.

Federal Grant=	\$ 23,439
Raised by Town=	<u>\$ 8,313</u>
Total Cost =	\$ 31,752

(Recommended by Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article 8. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 14,992 which represents the salary and fringe benefits of a part time Victim-Witness Advocate for the Police Department as funded by the Violence Against Women Federal Grant (one year, 75% - 25% grant position) of which \$ 11,244 is reimbursable.

Federal Grant=	\$ 11,244
Raised by Town=	<u>\$ 3,748</u>
Total Cost =	\$ 14,992

(Recommended by Board of Selectmen) (Not Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article 9. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 13,906 for the Police Department Unit computer software and mobile radios of which \$ 12,515 is reimbursable under the Federal COPS MORE Block Grant (90% - 10% grant match).

Federal Grant=	\$ 12,515
Raised by Town=	<u>\$ 1,391</u>
Total Cost =	\$ 13,906

(Recommended by Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article 10. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 4,550 for Phase IV computer Plan for the Police Department.

(Recommended by Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by CIP Committee)

(Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article 11. Shall the town vote to approve the cost item in the two year collective bargaining agreement resulting from the factfinder's report between the Board of Selectmen and the Police (Teamsters) Union which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

<u>Year</u>		<u>Estimated Increase</u>
FY97	Cost-retro to 4/1/96	\$45,905
	Roll up costs	<u>5,977</u>
		\$51,882

Info	FY98 1/1/98 - 3/31/98	\$6,653
	roll up costs	<u>866</u>
		\$7,519

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$51,882 for the 1997 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year.

(Recommended by Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article 12. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 37,200 to complete energy conservation measure (ECM) improvements to the public safety complex. Fifty percent of the cost, or \$ 18,600 is reimbursable under the Governor's Office of Energy and Community Services ECM Grant Program.

State Grant =	\$18,600
Raised by Town =	<u>\$18,600</u>
Total Project Cost=	\$37,200

(Recommended by Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by CIP Committee)

(Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article 13. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$16,000 to begin capital improvements to the Town Cemetery off Elm Street. Said costs to include necessary site preparation, drainage and engineering work to repair the interior roadway network as phase 1 of a 2 year project, phase 1 not to include paving. (Recommended by Board of Selectmen)

(Recommended by CIP Committee) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article 14. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 12,600 to install a new gas furnace heating system in town hall to replace the present failing oil furnace. Said sum will cover preparation and installation of two gas fired systems to cover both heating and air conditioning, and to complete all duct work and piping. (Recommended by Board of Selectmen)

(Recommended by CIP Committee) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article 15. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 21,450 to cover the costs to upgrade the present town hall electrical system to meet current town electrical building codes.

(Recommended by Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by CIP Committee)

(Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article 16. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 75,000 to continue with the town-wide mapping and revaluation project. This is the second year of a planned three year appropriation project to complete new town tax maps and the town-wide revaluation of real estate property. Said project sums will also cover purchase of a computer assisted mass appraisal system (CAMA) for the town assessing office. This will be a non-lapsing account per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the mapping and revaluation project is completed or in three years, whichever is less. (Recommended by Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by CIP Committee)

(Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article 17. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 15,000 as the town's matching portion of a State of New Hampshire Transportation Enhancement Funding Project to widen Main Street (NH Route 121A) to accommodate four foot wide paved shoulders (bike ways) beginning at the railroad crossing and running north to a point about 100 feet north of Ingalls Terrace. The total project cost is \$75,000 and will be funded and completed by the State of NH through a 80%-20% matching Federal Grant Program. (Recommended by Board of Selectmen)
(Recommended by CIP Committee) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article 18. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,500 to cover the cost of consultant services for the preparation of a study of Route 125 between the railroad overpass/Westville Road area to the Kingston Town line. This study will review and assess existing traffic patterns, roadway networks, and intersections as they relate to safety concerns and future growth patterns. Improvement designs with estimated costs will be prepared to assist the town in transportation grant applications and developer impact fee allocations.
(Recommended by Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by CIP Committee)
(Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article 19. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 539 to increase the Tax Collector's salary by \$500 from \$ 18,000 to \$18,500. The additional \$39 is to cover town payments to social security and medicare. (Recommended by Board of Selectmen)
(Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article 20. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 862 to increase the Town Clerk's salary by \$800 from \$ 27,300 to \$28,100. The additional \$62 is to cover town payments to social security and medicare. (Recommended by Board of Selectmen)
(Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article 21. Shall the town vote to establish a paid water department superintendent position and vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,359 to fund the position for the first year. Said sum will cover the cost of wages and social security/medicare payments for this year. The water department superintendent position will be established as a working supervisor position of approximately 5 hours per week and the water superintendent position will be established consistent with the requirements under the town manager form of government (NH RSA Chapter 37).
(Recommended by Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article 22. Shall the town vote to adopt the provisions of State of NH RSA 202-A:4-d authorizing the library trustees to accept gifts of personal property, other than money, which may be offered to the library for any public purpose, provided, however, that no acceptance of personal property by the library trustees shall be deemed to bind the town or the library trustees to raise, appropriate or expend any public funds for the operation, maintenance, repair or replacement of such personal property.

Article 23. Shall the town vote to delegate to the Board of Selectmen the authority to accept dedicated streets under the provisions of RSA 674:40-a until such authority is rescinded by the Town

Meeting; the Selectmen may vote to accept any dedicated street only if the street corresponds in its location and lines with a street shown on a subdivision plat or site plan approved by the planning board, or on the official map, or on a street plat made and adopted by the planning board, and only if such street has been constructed to applicable town specifications as determined by the Board of Selectmen or their designee.

Article 24. Shall the town vote to accept and retain for public purposes the gift of an 8 acre parcel of real estate property off Main Street (Tax Map 47, Block 1, Lot 2) and vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to manage this parcel in the best interest of the town.

Article 25. Pursuant to authority granted under RSA 72:39-b, shall we modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the town of Plaistow, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows:

for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$66,300;

for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$99,500;

for a person 80 years of age or older, \$132,600.

To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$22,000 , or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$ 28,000 ; and own net assets not in excess of \$ 45,000 . Under no circumstances shall the amounts of the exemption for any age category be less than \$ 5,000.

Article 26. To the extent consistent with RSA 41:25 shall the town vote to change the method for providing raises to the Town Clerk from an annual Warrant Article to including raises in the Operating Budget. This change would become effective for the 1998 Fiscal Year.

Article 27. To the extent consistent with RSA 41:33 shall the town vote to change the method for providing raises to the Tax Collector from an annual Warrant Article to including raises in the Operating Budget. This change would become effective for the 1998 Fiscal Year.

Article 28. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 5,000 for a fireworks display on Old Home Day in 1997. BY PETITION
(Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article 29. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 5,000 for a parade on Old Home Day in 1997. BY PETITION
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article 30. Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 2,000 to purchase a World War II Monument in honor of the Plaistow men and women who served their community and country in WW II. Said Monument will be placed on the Town Hall Green. Said sum will be reimbursed by \$1,000 in fund raising and donations. BY PETITION

Donation from American Legion Post 34= \$ 500

Community Fund Raising	=	\$ 500
Raised by Town =		<u>\$1,000</u>
TOTAL COST =		\$2,000

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article 31. Shall the town establish a committee in 1997, for the purpose of planning the 250th Anniversary of the Town in the year 1999. BY PETITION

Article 32. Shall the town vote to accept Greenfield Drive and Ridgewood Road. (Notation:if accepted, the town will be taking over these roads for the purpose of maintaining them.)
BY PETITION

Article 33. Shall the town vote to accept Arbor Lane as a town road. BY PETITION

Article 34. Shall the town vote to authorize, the Board of Selectmen to dispose of surplus personal property, without further action by the town meeting, by public auction, sealed bid or in any manner that is in the best interest of the town.

ZONING ARTICLES

{Italicized and lined out text in brackets is text deleted by this proposed change}
[Underlined bold text in square brackets is text added by this proposed change]

Article 35.Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Add a new Section - Article XIII - [Cemetery/Burial Site & Mausoleum]
Amending Article V - Establishment of District and District Regulations by adding
[**“Cemetery/Burial Site & Mausoleum”**] under B) Uses - Permitted Uses - Table 504.5-
“MDR” Medium Density Residential; Table 504.6- “LDR” Low Density Residential;
Table 504.7- “ICR” Integrated Commercial Residential

Explanation: This change will establish regulations for a privately owned cemetery, and with limited expansion of the Town owned cemetery, it will address plans for the future needs of the residents. Cemeteries, burial sites and mausoleums will be allowed in the MDR, LDR and ICR Zones.

YES

NO

Article 36. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Article V: Establishment of Districts and District Regulations

Table 504:3 - "CII - Commercial II"

B. Uses - Permitted Uses

1. Retail business (max. 2000 sq. ft. [per lot])
2. ~~Church~~ [Place of Worship]
3. ~~Bank~~
4. ~~Restaurant~~
5. ~~Business Office~~ [Business /Professional Office]
6. ~~Professional Office~~
8. ~~Private/Service Club~~

B. Uses - Allowed by Special Exception

13. ~~Off Street Parking~~

Amend Article V: - Establishment of Districts and District Regulations

Table 504:3- "CII-Commercial II"

C. Areas and Dimensions

1. Minimum Lot Size - Area (Sq. Ft.) 40,000/~~dwelling unit~~
2. Dimensions (ft) - Side: ~~Min. 1 side 15 ft, Total 2 sides 40 ft.~~ [20 ft.]

Explanation: This change will establish regulations that are consistent with the Master Plan and maintain the character of Main Street. Each side lot line must be 20 feet or longer.

YES

NO

Article 37. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article V - Establishment of Districts and District Regulations

Table 504:3 - "CII - Commercial II"

C. Area and Dimensions - Maximum Lot Coverage (Percent) ~~20%~~ [30%]

Explanation: This change will maintain the rural characteristics of Main Street since parking is required in the back of the building, and it will bring existing businesses into compliance.

YES

NO

Article 38. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Change the zoning of the described area of land from Commercial I to Medium Density Residential. Extend current Commercial I/Medium Density Residential zone line southwest on Walton Road to center point of Danville Road, then northwest to lot line between properties described as Tax Map 33, Block 1, Lot 1 owned by Richard J. Rurak and Tax Map 33, Block 1, Lot 2 owned by Aline E. Menasian, running southwest to 500' back from center line of Danville Road to current Commercial I zone line. North of the new line will be changed from Commercial I to Medium Density Residential.

Explanation: The rezoning of this area to Medium Density Residential will stop the increase of commercial development on Main Street north of Route 125. This rezoning includes the Cash/Beede Waste Oil Site.

YES

NO

Article 39. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Change the zoning of the described area of land from Commercial II to Commercial I. Extend the current Commercial I zone line through to Massachusetts state line extending 500' northeast toward Main Street from center line of Plaistow Road/Route 125.

Explanation: The rezoning of this area reflects the use in this area which is predominantly Commercial I.

YES

NO

Article 40. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Add to Article II: Section 200. Definitions under Section 200:1

V-2 - Vehicular Dealership means that portion of a lot or structure devoted in whole or part to:

- (1) The sale of (2) or more new/used automobiles and/or trucks; or
- (2) The display of two (2) or more new/used automobiles and/or trucks for the purpose of sale.

Add to Article III: General Provisions a new section 300:14 - Vehicular, Trailer & Recreational Vehicle Sales:

A) Parking spaces used for display at all vehicular dealerships must be a minimum size of 8' x 16'. This does not apply to customer, employee or handicap spaces.

B) No lot used for a vehicular, trailer or recreational vehicle dealership in Commercial I District may be located any closer than one thousand (1,000) feet in any direction to any other lot used for a vehicular, trailer and recreational vehicle dealership.

C) An annual inspection with the required inspection fee shall be completed by the Code Enforcement Officer for the Certificate of Occupancy.

Explanation: This change protects the aesthetics of the community, and it establishes regulations that assist the Building Inspector with enforcing compliance.

YES

NO

Article 41. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Add to Article XII: Floodplain Development under Section 1200 - Definitions

R1 Recreational Vehicle. Means a vehicle which is (a) built on a single chassis; (b) 400 square feet or less when measured at the largest horizontal projection; (c) designed to be self propelled or permanently towable by a light duty truck; (d) designed primarily not for use as a permanent dwelling but as temporary living quarters for recreational camping, travel or seasonal use.

Explanation: This change is to remain in compliance with the National Flood Insurance Program.

YES

NO

Article 42. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Add a new section - Article XIV - Impact Fee Assessment

Explanation: This change will establish a regulation to raise funding from developers by assessing a fee based on projected assessed traffic impact. This fee will pay for a portion of the road improvements on Route 125.

YES

NO

Article 43. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 9 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Add a new section - Article XV - Telecommunication Facility Ordinance

Explanation: This change will establish regulations for the siting of towers and antennas in the community used for wireless communications such as cellular phones, paging devices.

YES

NO

Article 44. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 10 as proposed by the Planning Board for an amendment to Renumber and Classify current zoning regulations for the purposes of orderly reference?

YES

NO

Article 45. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 11 as proposed by the Planning

Board to update the Town Building Codes?

- 1) B.O.C.A. National Property Maintenance Code 1996 Edition replaces B.O.C.A. National Property Maintenance Code 1993 Edition
- 2) C.A.B.O. One and Two Family Dwelling Code 1995 Edition replaces C.A.B.O. One and Two Family Dwelling Code 1992 Edition
- 3) N.F.P.A. 96 Ventilation Control and Fire Protection of Commercial Cooking Operations 1994 Edition
- 4) N.F.P.A. 211 Chimneys, Fireplaces, Vents and Solid Fuel Burning Appliances 1992 Edition

Explanation: This change is recommended by the Building Inspector to update the Town Building Codes.

YES

NO

Article 46. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 12 as proposed by PETITION OF 26 CITIZENS of the Town of Plaistow for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?
To change the zoning of the described area of land from COMMERCIAL I TO MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL:

Route 121A starting at Route 125 intersection up through Kelley Road on both sides of Main Street; eliminating the 500' Commercial I zoning at the beginning of Walton Road, Shady Lane and Kelley Road up to Kelley Brook.

(NOT RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)

YES

NO

Article 47. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 13 as proposed by PETITION OF 32 CITIZENS of the Town of Plaistow for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?
To change the zoning of the described area of land from Commercial I to Medium Density Residential:

Said land is now owned by Hampshire Realty Trust (Marc O. Henry) and is shown on Tax Map 32, Block 3, Lot 12. Hampshire Realty Trust better known as CASH/BEEDE WASTE OIL SITE is bordered by residences on Main Street on the West, residences on Kelley Road on the West/Northwest, residences on Fran Avenue on the North, residences on the East on Shady Lane and condominium complex on the South/Southeast.

(RECOMMENDED BY THE PLANNING BOARD)

YES

NO

Article 48. Shall the town vote to accept, as submitted, the reports of its agents, auditors, and other officers and committees thereby appointed.

Given under our hands and seal this 24th Day of February in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety Seven.

Lawrence W. Gil
Charles L. Blinn Jr.

Lawrence W. Gil, Chairman

Charles L. Blinn

George E. Melvin
Marilyn P. Senter

Mary M. Collins

George E. Melvin

Marilyn P. Senter

PLAISTOW, NEW HAMPSHIRE
FEBRUARY 24, 1997

A true copy warrant - Attest:

Lawrence W. Gil
Charles L. Blinn Jr.

Lawrence W. Gil, Chairman

Charles L. Blinn

Mary M. Collins

George E. Melvin
Marilyn P. Senter

George E. Melvin

Marilyn P. Senter

PLAISTOW, NEW HAMPSHIRE
FEBRUARY 24, 1997

We hereby certify that we gave notice to the inhabitants within named to meet at the time and place for the purpose , within mentioned, by posting up an attached copy at the Plaistow Post Office, Plaistow Public Library, and Plaistow Town Hall, being public places in said Town on the 24th day of February in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety Seven.

Lawrence W. Gil
Charles L. Blinn Jr.

Lawrence W. Gil, Chairman

Charles L. Blinn

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
P.O. Box 1122
Concord, NH 03302-1122
(603) 271-3397

Form MS-7

BUDGET FORM FOR TOWNS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED THE
PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 24



BUDGET OF THE TOWN

OF PLAISTOW N.H.

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1997 to December 31, 1997 or for Fiscal Year

from 19 to 19

IMPORTANT: Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities

1. Use this form to list the entire budget in the appropriate recommended or not recommended area.
This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the Town Clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address above.

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

Budget Committee (Please sign in ink)

M. L. Linn
Brend E. Major
Lynadine A. Threlkeld
Nelen A. Clark
Donald E. Jeger
Delane B. Ackerman-Kaser

Date

2/11/97

George B. Pashley
Henry Smith
John Sherman
Thomas J. Vinski
B. J. Dent

Budget of the Town of PLAISTOW

Acct. No.	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION (RSA 31:4)	Warr Art #	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA 1996	Actual Expenditures Prior Year 1996	Selectmen's Appropriations for Ensuing Fiscal Year		Budget Committee's Appropriation for Ensuing Fiscal Year	
					Recommended 1997	Not Recommended 1997	Recommended 1997	Not Recommended 1997
	General Government							
4130-4139	Executive		\$159,857	\$150,991	\$155,772		\$155,772	
4140-4149	Elections, Registration, Vital Stats		\$65,021	\$62,769	\$61,086		\$60,106	\$980
4150-4151	Financial Administration		\$113,879	\$109,705	\$120,303		\$119,803	\$500
4152	Revaluation of Property							
4153	Legal Expense		\$43,000	\$43,444	\$37,000		\$36,000	\$1,000
4155-4159	Personnel Administration		\$224,800	\$214,935	\$252,815		\$252,815	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning		\$37,304	\$36,974	\$41,869		\$41,869	
4194	General Government Buildings		\$108,025	\$101,617	\$105,570	\$6,000	\$110,970	\$600
4195	Cemetery		\$7,202	\$4,706	\$7,700		\$7,700	
4196	Insurance		\$77,000	\$78,385	\$75,000		\$75,000	
4197	Advertising and Reg. Assoc.							
4199	Other General Government							
	Public Safety							
4210-4214	Police Department		\$779,853	\$777,298	\$766,668		\$766,668	
4215-4219	Ambulance		\$28,000	\$30,333	\$26,000		\$26,000	
4220-4229	Fire Department		\$168,795	\$164,844	\$164,107	\$1,000	\$165,107	
4240-4249	Inspection		\$59,241	\$61,100	\$63,203		\$63,203	
4290-4298	Emergency Management		\$3,545	\$3,890	\$3,545		\$3,545	
4299	Other Public Safety (inc. Communications)							
	Highway & Streets							
4311-4312	Highway Admin		\$387,289	\$435,245	\$342,126		\$342,126	
4313	Bridges							
4316-4319	Street Lights & Other		\$52,000	\$51,845	\$52,000		\$52,000	
	Sanitation							
4321-4323	Admin & Solid Waste Collection		\$320,000	\$323,397	\$340,000		\$323,000	\$17,000
4324-4325	Admin & Solid Waste Disp. & Cleanup		\$4,200	\$4,214	\$9,150		\$9,150	
4326-4329	Sewage Collection & Disposal							
	Water Distrib & Treatment							
4331-4332	Admin & Water Services		\$29,164	\$25,961	\$23,700		\$23,700	
4335	Water Treatment, Conservation & Other							

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					Recommended 1997	Not Recommended 1997	Recommended 1997	Not Recommended 1997
	Electric							
4351-4352	Admin & Generation							
4353	Purchase Costs							
4354	Electric Equip. Maintenance							
4355-4359	Other Electric Costs							
	Health							
4411-4414	Admin & Pest Control		\$26,597	\$23,665	\$31,742		\$31,742	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hospitals		\$54,727	\$54,727	\$57,360		\$56,360	\$1,000
	Welfare							
4441-4442	Admin & Direct Assistance		\$50,515	\$20,949	\$48,572		\$43,572	\$5,000
4444	Intergovern. Welfare Paymts.							
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other							
	Culture & Recreation							
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		\$59,309	\$51,742	\$60,278		\$60,278	
4550-4559	Library		\$146,443	\$146,146	\$164,141		\$164,141	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation (MemDay)		\$600	\$600	\$600		\$600	
	Conservation							
4611-4612	Admin & Purchase of Natural Resources		\$6,010	\$6,064	\$5,771		\$5,771	
4619	Other Conservation (Tree Care)		\$3,594	\$5,014	\$4,594		\$4,594	
4631-2	Revelopment & Housing							
4651-9	Economic Development							
	Debt Service							
4711	Principal-Long Term Notes & Bonds		\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000		\$150,000	
4721	Interest-Long Term Notes & Bonds		\$45,718	\$45,717	\$34,005		\$34,005	
4723	Interest on TAN		\$65,000	\$36,069	\$55,000		\$50,000	\$5,000
4790-4799	Other Debt Service							
	Capital Outlay							
4901	Land & Improvements							
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equip.							
4903	Buildings							
4909	Improvements, other than buildings							

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					Recommended 1997	Not Recommended 1997	Recommended 1997	Not Recommended 1997
	Operating Transfers Out							
4912	To Special Revenue Fund							
4913	To Capital Projects Fund							
4914	To Enterprise Fund							
	Sewer -							
	Water -							
	Electric -							
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund							
4916	To Expendable Trust Funds							
4917	To Health Maintenance Trust Funds							
4918	To NonExpendable Trust Funds							
4919	To Agency Funds							
	SUBTOTAL 1		\$3,276,688	\$3,222,346	\$3,259,677	\$7,000	\$3,235,597	\$31,080

INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES

Please Note: "Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles", which are addressed below.

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					Recommended 1997	Not Recommended 1997	Recommended 1997	Not Recommended 1997
	NHDOT Highway Block Grant	3			\$102,875		\$102,875	
	Salt Shed for Highway Dept	4			\$55,000		\$55,000	
	Playground Equipment for Smith Field	6			\$15,000		\$15,000	
	Police Officer (3rd of 3 year grant)	7			\$31,752		\$31,752	
	Victim/Witness Advocate Position	8			\$14,992			\$14,992
	Computer Software & Mobile Radio	9			\$13,906		\$13,906	
	Phase 4 of 5 Police Dept Computerization	10			\$4,550		\$4,550	
	Teamster's Collective Bargaining Agree	11			\$51,882		\$51,882	
	Phase 2 of 3 Energy Conservation Initiative	12			\$37,200		\$37,200	
	Cemetery Improvements	13			\$16,000		\$16,000	
	Replace Town Hall Heating System	14			\$12,600		\$12,600	
	Upgrade Town Hall Electrical System	15			\$21,450		\$21,450	

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					Recommended 1997	Not Recommended 1997	Recommended 1997	Not Recommended 1997
	Sidewalk/Bikelanes on Main St	17			\$15,000		\$15,000	
	Phase 2 of 2 Rt 125 Study	18			\$12,500		\$12,500	
	Raise for Tax Collector	19			\$539		\$539	
	Raise for Town Clerk	20			\$862		\$862	
	New Position of Waterline Superintendent	21			\$3,359		\$3,359	
	SUBTOTAL 2 (Recommended)				\$409,467		\$394,475	

SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3, VI, as 1) petitioned warrant articles; 2) an article whose appropriation is raised by bonds or notes; 3) an article which calls for an appropriation to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds; and 4) any article designated on the warrant as a special or as nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

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					Recommended 1997	Not Recommended 1997	Recommended 1997	Not Recommended 1997
	Phase 2 of 3 Revaluation & GIS Maps	16			\$75,000		\$75,000	
	Old Home Day Fireworks Display	28				\$5,000	\$5,000	
	Old Home Day Parade	29			\$5,000		\$5,000	
	World War II Memorial for Town Green	30			\$2,000		\$2,000	
	SUBTOTAL 3 (Recommended)				\$82,000		\$87,000	

Acct No.	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr Art #	Estimated Revenues Prior Year 1996	Actual Revenues Prior Year 1996	Estimated Revenue for Ensuing Fiscal Year 1997
	TAXES				
3120	Land Use Change Taxes				
3180	Boat Taxes		\$4,000	\$5,194	\$4,000
3185	Yield Taxes				
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on delinquent Taxes		\$165,000	\$140,000	\$140,000
	Inventory Penalties				
	LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES				
3210	Business licenses and Permits				
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		\$650,000	\$700,000	\$700,000
3230	Building Permits		\$40,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
3290	Other licenses, Permits & Fees		\$20,000	\$50,233	\$40,000
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT (Police Grants, FEMA)	7, 8, 9	\$38,439	\$38,439	\$52,640
	FROM STATE				
3351	Shared Revenue		\$100,000	\$116,302	\$110,000
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution				
3353	Highway Block Grant	3	\$92,272	\$92,806	\$102,875
3354	Water Pollution Grants				
3355	Housing & Community Development (CDBG Grant)		\$75,000	\$0	\$0
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (including Railroad Tax) (Court lease, ECM, Land Closure)	12	\$201,175	\$74,267	\$155,000
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENT (Atkinson Dispatch)		\$19,500	\$19,500	\$19,500
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES				
3401-3406	Income from Departments		\$74,000	\$108,325	\$75,000
3409	Other Charges (Cable TV, Water Dept)		\$45,197	\$36,461	\$44,600
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES				
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		\$40,000	\$10,713	\$10,000
3502	Interest on Investments		\$50,000	\$50,199	\$55,000
3503-3509	Other (Friends of Recreation, American Legion, Fundraising)	6, 30	\$60,520	\$66,246	\$60,000

Acct No.	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr Art #	Estimated Revenues Prior Year 1996	Actual Revenues Prior Year 1996	Estimated Revenue for Ensuing Fiscal Year 1997
	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN				
3912	Special Revenue Fund				
3913	Capital Projects Fund				
3914	Enterprise Fund				
	Sewer - (offset)				
	Water - (offset)				
	Electric - (offset)				
3915	Capital Reserve Fund				
3916	Trust and Agency Funds				
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
3934	Proc. from Long Term Notes & Bonds				
	Amounts voted for "surplus"				
	"surplus" used in Prior Year to Reduce Taxes			\$100,000	
	TOTAL REVENUES		\$1,675,103	\$1,658,685	\$1,618,615

BUDGET SUMMARY

BUDGET COMMITTEE	
SELECTMEN	COMMITTEE
SUBTOTAL 1 Recommended (from page 3)	\$3,259,677
SUBTOTAL 2 "Individual" Warrant Articles (from page 4)	\$409,467
SUBTOTAL 3 Special Warrant Articles (from page 4)	\$82,000
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED	\$3,751,144
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenue (from above) (Exclusive of Property Taxes)	\$1,618,615
AMOUNT OF TAXES TO BE RAISED	\$2,132,529
	\$2,098,457

If there is a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, identify the make-up of the line total to the right.

Acct #	Warr. Art. #	Amount

INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE

PLAISTOW POLICE & FIRE EMERGENCY

911

Police: Emergency - 382-1200
Business - 382-6816
Crimeline - 382-3784

Fire: Emergency - 382-8512
Business - 382-5012

Statewide **CRISIS HELPLINE** - 1-800-852-3388

New Hampshire Division of Human Services (Salem) - 893-9763
(Services include Medicaid, Food Stamps, AFDC, APTD, Child Care)

Rockingham County Community Action (Salem) - 893-8435
(Services include Fuel Assistance Programs, 0% Interest Fuel Loans, Security Deposit Assistance,
USDA Surplus Food Programs)

A Safe Place, Portsmouth	436-7924
NH Parents Anonymous, Portsmouth	1-800-852-3786
Rockingham Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice, Derry	1-800-675-9241
Crisis Pregnancy Center, Haverhill, MA	1-508-374-0801
Women's Resource Center, Portsmouth	436-4107
Family Mediation & Juvenile Services, Plaistow	382-9341
Brickett's Mill Counseling Assoc., Atkinson	329-4379
Rockingham Counseling Center, Exeter	772-3786
Lamprey Health Care, Newmarket	659-2424
Lawyer Referral Services, Concord	1-800-852-3799
New Hampshire - INFO LINE	1-800-582-7214
Derry - Londonderry - Timberlane United Way, Derry	434-5093
Disabled Veterans Outreach, Dover	742-3600
-Vietnam Veterans Readjustment Counseling Center	1-800-562-3127
New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority	1-800-248-7887
Arthritis Foundation	1-800-952-3335
American Heart Association	1-800-442-1600
American Lung Association of New Hampshire	669-2411
New Hampshire Society for Autistic Children	424-5957
New Hampshire Poison Information Center	1-800-562-8236
New Hampshire Legal Association	1-800-334-3135
New Hampshire Job Training Counsel	1-800-772-7001
Region 10 Client Manager	1-800-992-2006
New Hampshire Rideshare Program	1-800-852-3405
Home Health VNA	1-800-933-5593

